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THE OREGON SAFE AT LAST

Now Said to Have Joined the Sampson Squadron Eager for Action.

IMPORTANT NAVAL ENGAGEMENT

Sensational Report Comes From the Northwest Coast of Hayti Close to the Windward Passage--Heavy Cannonading Heard on Sunday--Fight in a Thick Fog.

WASHINGTON, May 18.--The Oregon is believed to be safe, and is probably now a part of Admiral Sampson's squadron.

NAVAL ENGAGEMENT SENSATION.

PORT AU PRINCE, May 18.—A great sensation has been caused here by the arrival yesterday of the military commandant of the Isle of Tortuga, off the northwest coast of Hayti, and due north of Port de Paix, near the entrance to the Windward Passage, who brought word to the Haytien war department of what is believed to have been a naval engagement on Sunday.

The commandant reached Port de Paix from the Isle of Tortuga in a canoe. He reported to the war office that throughout the whole of Sunday a persistent cannonading had been heard east of the island, and that from its duration and intensity there was a strong presumption that a serious action was in progress.

A thick fog at the time made it impossible to distinguish any vessel that might be engaged.

MAY ATTACK AN AMERICAN PORT.

LONDON, May 18.—I have just heard from a secret source that Admiral Cervera received orders at Curacoa to make an attack on some American port.

I am unable to vouch for the truth of this, but it comes to me in such a way that I cannot ignore it.

This story may be another Spanish ruse, but it would be well to have everything along the American coast prepared for a possible attack on Thursday or Friday.

FLEET STILL MISSING.

PORT AU PRINCE, May 18.—(Copyrighted by Associated Press.)—Nothing is known here of the report from Porto Plata, San Demingo, to the effect that the Cape Verde squadron has arrived at Porto Pico.

GONE TO MANILA.

VALLEJO, CALIF., May 18.—The cruiser Charleston sailed this morning for Manila.

30,000 FOR MERRITT.

WASHINGTON, May 18.—Gen. Merritt will take 30,000 troops to the Philippines. This army will include six regiments of regulars.

BLOCKADE EXPLANATION.

No Relaxation Intended—Myrtle Dean Case Misunderstood.

WASHINGTON, May 18.—The fact that several vessels under neutral flags have been permitted to pass the blockade lines on the Cuban coast is not to be taken as an indication that the government intends to relax in any degree the blockade. But it has happened that some of the naval officers on the blockading station, unaware of the fact that the blockade proclamation issued by the president allowed neutral vessels in Cuban ports 30 days to clear, had summarily ordered some of these ships to leave immediately on the establishment of the blockade. This was the case with the steamer Myrtle Dean, which was yesterday permitted to pass the blockade at Cardenas. The ship had been previously required to leave the port by the senior officer of the blockading fleet. She was entitled, under the proclamation, to remain in port until the 23d day of May, and when this fact was brought to the attention of the proper authorities orders were sent to Commodore Watson to let the Myrtle Dean re-enter Cardenas harbor and enjoy the privilege she had a right to claim under the proclamation. So there is not, as might have been supposed at first, any ground on the part of other neutral nations than Great Britain to claim the right for their vessels to pass the blockade lines unless the conditions are like those in the Myrtle Dean case.

Gomez.

KINGSTON, JAMAICA, May 18.—The 38 passengers brought by the French warship Feuilleton from Havana, landed. The French say there are 10,000 regular troops in Havana and 30,000 volunteers The government pretends to have provisions for six months, but the merchants say there is only one month's supply They add that the stores will be stormed soon by the hungry people. Rice is selling at $12 per 100 weight, and dried meat, which is much used by the common people, is $14 per 100 weight.

Eggs are 15 cents apiece. All payments are demanded in gold, Spanish silver being at 60 per cent discount There is no fresh meat. The French colony heard secretly on May 4, two days before sailing, that Gomez had taken Santa Clara and Puerto Principe.

Daily Cost of War.

WASHINGTON, May 18.—The war is costing $1,000,000 a day. The appropriations already made or estimated as necessary for that period foot up $425,000,000. The optimistic view is that Spain will sue for peace as soon as a naval battle is won and that the war will not last a year, but this is not shared by Republican leaders who may be supposed to reflect the views of the administration It is even said that should peace be declared in a month or six weeks the United States will have an expensive and lengthy task before it, in establishing a stable government in Cuba and effecting the occupation and control of the Philippines.

Polo to Leave Canada.

MONTREAL, May 18.—Senor Polo y Bernabe has booked passage for himself and the members of his party on the Dominion line steamer, the Dominion, which will leave this port on Saturday The ex-minister has made good use of his time while in Canada, perfecting a system of obtaining information by means of spies, a large number of whom are in the employ of the Spanish authorities. After Senor Polo's departure these persons will report to the Spanish consul general here and the intelligence will be forwarded to Madrid by way of London.

Will Go to Manila.

WASHINGTON, May 18.—General Miles has stated that the Tenth Pennsylvania volunteers will be ordered to San Francisco for the Philippine expedition.

NIGHT NEWS OF WARSHIPS

No Material Change in Position Since Sunday--Seems to be a Waiting Game.

WASHINGTON, May 18.—A meeting between the fighting squadron and the Spanish fleet is no nearer than it was Monday. It does not seem so imminent as it did last Friday, when the Spanish war ships were off Martinique and Admiral Sampson was at San Juan, only 460 miles to the northwest The president is now fully convinced that the Spanish admiral is dodging instead of seeking battle. He realized that the Spanish program is to inflict damage, not to fight. He does not think the war should wait on the wily movements of the fleet, and therefore he is encouraging plans to push the campaign in other directions while enough naval strength is disposed in such a way as to take care of the Spanish fleet The president understands very well that every day Spain can delay the advance on Cuba means a distinct advantage, because of climatic conditions. There is method in the way the Spanish admiral avoids and hesitates.

The best information last night locates the Spanish fleet still in the Lower Cariban, while the fighting squadron hovers in the passage 600 miles or so north, near the eastern point of Jamaica. Admiral Sampson is so located as to go east or west to meet Admiral Cervera as he swerves toward Porto Rico or Cuba on any northward course he may take.

The fighting squadron waits while the scout ships prowl far out toward the center of the Cariban looking for the first glimpses of Cervera's cruisers.

An assorting of the ships in Cuban waters is taking place. The monitors, too slow for any chasing, are to be put in front of Havana to make the blockade impregnable. The fighting squadron will be composed of battleships and cruisers. Admiral Sampson's fighting squadron was six or eight knots an hour slower than the Spanish fleet. Now there is only three or four knots an hour difference.

Not to be Lost Again.

American cruisers are below Martinique, in the vicinity of St. Lucia. They are watching the passages between the Windward Islands for a double purpose If Admiral Cervera starts his fleet from the Caribean to the Atlantic the cruisers will see him and report the movement. Sampson's fighting squadron is on the north. These cruisers are watching all of the eastern passages. The Spanish fleet is not to be "lost again." If Admiral Cervera does not attempt to make the Atlantic the cruisers will wait for the Oregon, the Marietta and the Buffalo to come along from the South American coast.

Where is the Oregon?

ST. LUCIA, WINDWARD ISLANDS, May 18.—A large, strange warship has been sighted lying off the west coast of this island. Others were also seen to the northward of St. Lucia.

These vessels are believed here to be a Spanish squadron watching for the United States battleship Oregon, which may pass close to this island on its way to Key West

St Lucia is south of French Martinique and in latitude 14 degrees north and 61 degrees west longitude from Greenwich. It is 550 miles from Curacao, where the Spanish Cape Verde fleet was Sunday night, and it is about 8 degrees from the Venesuelan coast.

Washington Legislation.

WASHINGTON, May 18.—The urgency deficiency bill, carrying (in round numbers $8,400,000, of which $2,000,000 is for pensions, was reported by the house committee on pensions. It was passed.

Secretary Alger sent to congress the draft of a bill to create in time of war the office of second assistant secretary of war. He urges the importance of immediate action.

The Senate bill passed, making officers of the regular army eligible to staff appointments in the volunteer army

Senator Hawley called up the report of the conferees on the bill allowing the bureau of ordnance to purchase ordnance and ordnance stores without advertisement during the pendency of the present war. Senator Gorman inquired as to whether there are no limitations on this power Senator Hawley replied that the power conferred was actually necessary and said he could give the Maryland senator the facts to substantiate the assertion but thought it improper to do so in open session On Senator Hawley's motion, therefore, the senate went into secret legislative session, remaining so for half an hour and agreeing to the conference report.

Manila Medal Designs.

WASHINGTON, May 18.—Secretary Long has appointed Assistant Secretary Allen president of a board which is to be charged with the selection of designs for the medals which are to be awarded to Admiral Dewey and the members of his ships' crews in recognition of their achievements at Manila. Two other members of the board are yet to be appointed. It is the purpose to secure designs for the medals of more than usual excellence, both in originality of theme and beauty, as is believed to be warranted by the splendor of the victory. It is expected that the widest opportunity will be opened to American genius to submit designs

Spanish Fleet.

CURACAO, DUTCH WEST INDIES, May 18.—The Spanish fleet is now supposed to be off the coast of Venezuela, or off the coast of Columbia. Only a portion of the fleet was allowed to enter this harbor to obtain provisions, cattle and coal, which were purchased here.

Confirmation has been obtained of the report that the Spaniards left one of their torpedo gunboats at Fort de France, Island of Martinique.

Report From St. Thomas.

ST THOMAS, DANISH WEST INDIES, May 18.—It was reported here yesterday that on Sunday last, from noon until 6 p m. 27 vessels slowly steamed westerly, north of Tortola Island, 40 miles east of St Thomas. One steamer which approached the land showed the Spanish flag

Took No Troops.

VALLEJO CAL., May 18.—The Charleston, which sailed for Manila today, is heavily loaded with ammunition for her own guns, in addition to a large supply of powder and projectiles for Dewey's fleet. No troops are carried. She also carried a large supply of coal for the voyage of 6500 miles.

Camp Tanner News.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., May 18.—The 7th regiment was mustered into the United States service today. The 4th will be mustered in tomorrow. The work of examining the 1st cavalry will be completed tomorrow The 2d infantry and Battery A of Danville leave for Tampa Friday.

The Alabama.

PHILADELPHIA, May 18.—The battleship Alabama was successfully launched at Cramp's ship yards at 12.50 today

Miss Mary E. Morgan, daughter of Senator Morgan of Alabama, christened the ship. Fears of Spanish treachery caused the gates to be closed to all except a few invited guests. It will take a year to make the ship ready for commission

Fight on Cuban Coast.

LONDON, May 18.—A special cable reports that a fight occurred at Caibarien on the north coast of Cuba, and that the landing party was driven back.

The New Commander.

General John C. Black, commander of the G. A. R., Department of Illinois, has issued his first two general orders. The first announces the appointment of C. A Partridge of Waukegan post, No 374, as assistant adjutant general. The second order is an announcement of Memorial Day, advising the G. A. R. posts to confer with school officials and to arrange with them for the holding of patriotic exercises in the schools of the city and county on Friday preceding Decoration day. The usual Sabbath services are to be held on Sunday, May 29, by the G. A. R. posts at various churches.

Two women in Scotland once collected $2000 in pennies for benevolent work.

THE GUNS TO BOOM SOON.

Commanders of the American Fleets Will Now Use Their Discretion.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—There will be war news plenty from the West Indian waters this week The fighting squadron is loose with instructions to go after the Spanish fleet and attack wherever it can find it. Commodore Watson has been given orders for the blockading squadron which Admiral Sampson craved when he started for Havana All along the blockading line the guns will boom

Wherever he finds the Spaniards in fortifications Watson will smash them This will not permit the bombardment of cities, but it means aggressive operations against the defenses of Cuba To do this work Watson has with him the monitors Miantonomoh and Terror, the cruisers Cincinnati and Marblehead, the gunboats Nashville, Helena, Machias, Castin and a large contingent of the mosquito fleet The commodore will have no trouble in making things warm for the Spaniards under his new and liberal instructions.

And, to add to the liveliness of the West Indian situation, Commodore Schley will be there today with the flying squadron. What part he will play depends upon the movements of the Spanish fleet. While Sampson tries to bring about a meeting with Cervera, the flying squadron will be held in reserve a day or two, ready to go in any direction necessary to intercept the Spanish fleet if it dodges the fighting squadron.

New Policy Now in Effect.

A new policy at Washington goes into force this week. It is the policy of strike hard. "Use your discretion" enters into the orders more largely than has hitherto been the case. Events are to come thick and fast. There will not be time for commanders to wait for specific instructions The President feels that there is no time to spare. He is pushing the campaign as energetically as the most belligerent could wish

Expectations of a great naval engagement are not as strong as they were two or three days ago. When the Spanish fleet made its appearance off Martinique, its presence was supposed to mean a fair fight. Admiral Cervera's movements since have prompted the belief that the Spanish policy is one of adroit strategy rather than hard hitting. This government is now looking for surprises rather than a battle.

Admiral Sampson has been turned loose to force a fight out of the Spanish fleet if he can He has been given much latitude. He will communicate with Washington as often as he can and he will be furnished with all of the information that reaches here about Admiral Cervera. But he will not be obliged to wait for orders from Washington He will tell Washington so nearly as he can where he is going and he will go without waiting for any reply.

Cervera's fleet is somewhere north of Curacoa. Auxiliary cruisers are scouting in the waters between Curacoa and Jamaica, ready at the first approach of the Spanish fleet to turn and run at full speed toward the fighting squadron with the news.

America's Third Fleet.

The Oregon, the Marietta and the Buffalo, on the way up the South American coast, have been heard from again. They know of the presence of the Spanish fleet in the Caribbean and may reach the north coast of South America in time to take part in the operations. Two auxiliary cruisers are as far south as Martinique. The cruiser Montgomery is said to have left the fighting squadron and to have gone southward. These latest movements seem to look to the formation of a fourth squadron in West Indian waters, with the Oregon, the Marietta and the Buffalo as soon as they leave the South American coast and start for Barbadoes.

With the flying squadron watching the passages, the fighting squadron hunting him in the Caribbean, the Oregon and her odd collection of war ships between him and the Atlantic, the Spanish admiral may find his policy of evasion a difficult one to maintain. Meantime the operations against Cuba by the blockading squadron go on. The Oregon should be to the eastward of the Caribbean in two or three days more of steaming

WASHINGTON CITY NEWS

Eighty Thousand Volunteers in the Service--Pay Begins at State Enrollment.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—The house adopted the report of the elections committee in favor of seating J S Rhea, the sitting member from the 3d Kentucky district The contestant, Dr W Godfrey Hunter, is now minister to Guatemala

Eighty thousand volunteers have now been mustered in

In the senate a resolution was adopted confirming the temporary appointment to the line and staff of the navy by the president since April 23, the same to continue in force during the exigency under which their services are required in the existing war. The bill passed to pay the allowance of the volunteers to begin on the day of their enrollment at the state camps.

Those going to the Philippines are to be allowed to draw one month's pay in advance.

The consideration of the war revenue measure was resumed. Senator Jones of Arkansas said he thought every man in the senate was ready to vote all the money necessary to carry on the war. The problem was how much money is needed. He did not want to vote for too much

The house passed the bill to make eight hours a day's work for laborers and mechanics on the government work whether contract or otherwise.

The bill to repeal the law providing for the electoral vote to be brought to Washington by state messengers was defeated.

PRESIDENT AT A WEDDING

Witnessed the Marriage of Secretary Alger's Daughter at Noon.

WASHINGTON, May 18.—Under a canopy of roses, orchids and vines, interlaced with rosettes and loops of pink ribbons, all radiating from a softly shaded electric light, Francis Anna Alger, youngest daughter of the secretary of war, and Charles Burrell Pike of Chicago, son of Eugene S Pike, were married at noon at the residence of Secretary Alger. President and Mrs. McKinley, Vice President and Mrs. Hobart and other distinguished people, reflected in a brilliant manner the official world of the capital The presence of the army and navy officers in full dress uniforms suggested the incongruous event in which the nation is now most interested.

THE NEW CABINET.

Sagasta Selects Fresh Managers of Spain's Affairs of State.

MADRID, May 18.—The Spanish cabinet is formed as follows: President of the council of ministers, Sagasta; minister of foreign affairs; Leon y Castillo; minister of war, General Correa; minister of marine, General Auñon; minister of colonies, Giron; minister of finance, Fulgicerver; minister of interior, Capdepon; minister of justice, Groizard; minister of public instruction, Gamazo.

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THURSDAY, MAY 19, 1898.

Admiral Sampson is chasing the Spanish armada for a fight. Lord Nelson had to cross the ocean twice to finally locate Napoleon's allied fleet at Trafalgar.

The result of the fight at Cardenas will probably have the effect of convincing our torpedo boat commanders that their frail craft was not intended to attack shore batteries and gunboats.

The war is certain to entail trouble upon letter carriers and the postal authorities as nearly every city is certain to have a Dewey street and every state a Dewey city, and every family a Dewey baby.

Emperor William has decided that his country has a friendly feeling for the United States and that he will not interfere nor dictate what it shall do with its conquered territory.

It takes four Mexican silver dollars to buy a bushel of wheat and still those men live who spent months trying to fool voters into the belief that there is a strange sympathy between silver and wheat.

Admiral Dewey finds Spanish game at the Philippines source, but by his diligence and good judgment he manages to bring down another Spanish warship occasionally.

If you want to see a foreign power explain all that is necessary is a report that it sympathizes with Spain and intends to interfere with the business of the United States. None of them want to inherit Spain's job since Dewey set the pace.

The more the facts as they exist become known the more is seen the wisdom of the president in objecting to the recognition of the so-called Cuban government. Nobody has heard of the Cuban government since war was declared.

This is the fighting year and Bob Fitzsimmons makes it an excuse to go into the ring again. Bob is bold and confident, just like Dewey. He is willing to stand pat and take the other fellows one at a time or all in a bunch. But the wily Australian is in it all the time for revenue.

The majority of the senators and members of the house who fought so strenuously for the present Cuban government and war are now engaged in helping Spain by voting to debase our currency by amending the measures to raise funds to pay war expenses. These people should be remembered.

Several weeks ago the Republican suggested Lee, Merritt and Wilson as the proper generals to take independent commands and gather in the Spanish soldiers. Merritt goes to the Philippines and we may next hear that Wilson has started for Porto Rico and Lee for Cuba. President McKinley knows the military ability of all these men and he knows they will not give him any cause for loss of sleep.

If these 16 to 1 statesmen in congress don't let up there won't be enough of the Bryan party left to nominate him in 1900. A country that produces fighters like those commanded by Dewey who fight "without reference to the wishes of the nations of the world" and astonish those nations to such a degree as to make them forget there ever was any such thing as the concert of powers, will not consent to self-humiliation by any issue of cheap money to pay off its soldiers and sailors.

The growing wheat crop of Illinois is reported to be in good condition and there is a prospect that our farmers may share in the profits that are pretty sure to come with the marketing of the next crop. In the northern division of the state the area is given at 18,900 acres, in the central portion 646,600 acres and in the southern portion 668,600 acres, or a total in the entire state of 1,334,100 acres. Estimating the yield at 15 bushels to the acre, which is a moderate figure, and the price at $1 25 the farmers of Illinois will have some $25,000,000 in their pockets from the growing crop before the snow flies.

Sampson has settled the defenses about San Juan, Porto Rico, so that they will not bother anybody at any future time. Had it not been for the strategy board he would long since have swept away the defenses of Havana. On what course of reasoning the Havana defenses have been allowed to stand and be strengthened daily it is hard to conjecture and it will be fortunate indeed if Sampson and his gallant men escape having to fight the Spanish fleet under those defenses, that should have been in ruins weeks ago. It is becoming a question whether this strategy board has not served its purpose and ought to be excused from further service. When the government swapped off the strategy board for Grant in 1864 the war began to end. Strategy boards and balloons should have no place in our wars.

The supreme court of the United States has decided to be unconstitutional the Iowa law which makes it a crime to ship liquor into those portions of the state where the mulct law is in force and where the prohibitory law is in force. The case originated against the Burlington road for shipping a package of liquor from Illinois to Brighton, Iowa. The agent at Brighton was arrested and fined $100 for knowingly receiving intoxicating liquors contrary to the laws of the state. But the case was appealed to the supreme court where the road made the defense that liquors shipped from other states into Iowa did not become subject to the laws of that state until delivered to the consignee. The court upholds this position and decides that the Iowa law cannot apply to liquor in transit. The decision is an important one, as it will put an end to the practice in the prohibition localities of seizing liquors in the hands of the railroad companies before they are delivered to the consignee. It will put an additional obstacle, and a very serious one, in the way of the enforcement of prohibition.

Prizes in Time of War.

Chicago Record: If the American warships continue to make captures of Spanish merchantmen there will be no little work ahead for the prize courts. It is a well recognized rule in the usages of nations that the actual captor of a vessel which is flying the flag of a hostile country cannot be allowed to judge of the legality of his capture.

To grant him this privilege would be to give him the right to judge of the correctness of his own acts. For this reason there have been established prize courts, each court being appointed by the captor's government.

At different times various powers have considered the expediency of organizing international prize courts with a view to making the verdicts absolutely impartial. But the result of these efforts has always been the same. It has been foreseen that the complications which would arise in any such international adjudication of questions relating to prizes would be perilous. Therefore the custom of making the captor's state the judge of its own right to seize vessels obtains still and will probably be continued. It is assumed that the power strong enough to make captures must have the right to say for itself whether or not the seizures were legal; and so pronounced is this opinion that even a court appointed by the ally of another power is not allowed to pass upon the rights of that power's captures.

There are strict rules, however, which a prize court must consider in adjudicating the legality of a capture. When a vessel flying an enemy's flag is taken, the captor must put on board a force sufficiently strong to hold the ship, and, failing to do so, there can be no redress if the captured vessel's crew revolts and forcibly retakes possession of the ship. The prize must be brought within the jurisdiction of the country to which the captor belongs before it can be condemned. The condemnation may be made by district courts of the United States, which, according to the best precedent, possess all the powers of a court of admiralty. And these prize courts under the laws of nations are recognized as "tribunals of the law of nations, the jurisprudence they administer being a part of that law."

In short, the law of prizes, like all the other laws of war except those relating to humane practices, is based upon the theory that might is right, and that the victor deserves not only the spoils, but the privilege of saying whether or not they properly belong to him.

Ensign Bagley's Death.

The death of Ensign Bagley on the Winslow adds to an interesting incident of the civil war. The ensign's father was a native of North Carolina and entered the confederate service at the breaking out of the war and was killed at the battle of Big Bethel, being the first man to meet death on the confederate side in that conflict. The son was the first federal soldier killed in the present war. His mother is still living and the chances are will be given a pension.

On the same day that Ensign Bagley laid down his life for the stars and stripes the confederate flags that have been used for decorations in the public buildings in Richmond, Virginia, were removed and the stars and stripes substituted for the defunct emblem of the confederacy of 1861. These events which were not ordered by man alone, indicate that the war between the states has ended and the prejudice which has existed in a more or less degree since then has disappeared forever, in the cause of the government as against a foreign foe. Many of the commanders of confederate troops including Lee and Wheeler will command troops in the invasion of Cuba side by side with those who commanded federal troops and the soldiers of the south will march and shoot side by side with the young men of the north. A victory won by Lee or Wheeler in Cuba will be as enthusiastically cheered in the north as in the south, and on the other hand the south will rejoice with the people of the north over any success won by such men as Wilson, Merritt or Miles. Today we serve one flag because we are in fact one country.

Tammany's Blight.

New York Post: It was a great stroke of luck for Tammany that the war gave it an excuse for abandoning the celebration of the first anniversary of the adoption of the Greater New York charter. With 4000 men thrown out of employment because Mr. Croker was more anxious to kill rapid transit than he was to let them have work, a Tammany jubilee over the possession of the city government might have proved inopportune. Contractors to whom the city owes large sums of money which it declines to pay are calling attention to the fact that while there is trouble with the city's revenue there appears to be none about Mr. Croker's, for he is able to go abroad while they and their employes have to whistle for their money. Under the controller's present ruling all contracts obtained since November 1 last must carry their cases to the court of appeals before they can hope to get the money which the city owes them. Whatever may be said of this condition in the midst might be a somewhat precarious undertaking.

Joseph H. Wheeler.

Gen. Joseph H. Wheeler is a unique character and one of the most active men of his years in the country. He was one of the bravest men who followed the confederate flag during the civil war, and one of the first to go to work to help the south to retrieve its fortunes after the surrender at Appomattox. He has been as loyal to the stars and stripes ever since as he was to the other flag while the war lasted.

General Wheeler was one of the confederacy's most daring cavalry leaders, and it is one of the queer things brought about by time that he should now be appointed a major general of United States volunteers on the same day that a like honor is conferred upon Gen James H. Wilson, against whom he fought more than once during the civil war.

THE NEW COMMANDER.

Close of the State G. A. R. Encampment—Meets Next at Danville.

STREATOR, ILL., May 18.—The 32d annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Illinois, adjourned last evening, after selecting Danville as the next place of meeting and choosing the following officers: Department commander, Gen. John C. Black of Chicago; senior vice commander, W. H. Coffman of Champaign; junior vice commandr, S. McFeeley, Streator; chaplain, Elder Haney; adjutant, C. L. Partridge.

The Woman's Relief Corps chose the following officers: President, Mrs. Carrie T. Alexander, Belleville; senior vice, Mrs. Ross, Streator; junior vice, Mrs. Buffington, Chicago; chaplain, Mrs. Snow, Ottawa; secretary, Mrs. Bell, Belleville; treasurer, Mrs. Lewis, Aurora.

The Ladies of the G. A. R. elected these officers: Department president, Mrs Mary E. Clark of Springfield; senior vice, Charity Nichols, Galena; chaplain, Mrs. Ridley, Chicago, treasurer, Nellie Barr, Chicago; secretary, Emma Armstrong, Springfield; inspecting officer, Mrs. Frank Pillow, Springfield.

The Sons of Veterans elected: Division commander, W. T. Church of Chicago; senior vice commander, Guy Cleveland of Prophetstown; junior vice commander, Charles H. Egbert, Streator; division council—George E. Campbell of Lincoln, W O. Smith of Knoxville and R. C. Stine of DeKalb.

Delegates to the national encampment at Omaha: At large—Isaac Cutter, Camp Point; James B. Lidders, Rock Island, R. D. Hoolihan, Chicago; George C. Powers, Peoria; P. A. Durant, Aurora, W C. Snyder, Kankakee.

Danville was chosen as the place for holding the encampment next year.

CIRCUIT COURT.

Business Transacted To-Day—Entries on Chancery Docket.

From the Daily of Thursday.

In the circuit court this morning a number of motions were heard in chancery and common law cases. The following were the entries on the dockets:

COMMON LAW CASES

William H H Slaughter vs City Electric Railway Co ; trespass Leave to file additional counts.

CHANCERY CASES.

William B. Stringer vs. James L. Walton et al, foreclosure. Cause heard on petition and answer and petition dismissed for want of equity; petition costs certificate of evidence in 30 days. Appeal prayed and allowed. Bond $200 in 20 days, surety to be approved by clerk by agreement.

Lemuel Wikoff, executor, etc., vs James M Miller et al; foreclosure Stricken.

Elvina Brockway vs. Maggie Allison et al,; partition. Leave to defendants to withdraw tax receipts.

Priscilla Orr vs Mary Giblin; foreclosure Proof of publication made.

Elhannon W. Barkman vs. Rena M Barkman; divorce. Proof of publication made.

Amanda E. Childs vs. Noah H Childs; divorce. Proof of publication made.

RACING CIRCUIT.

Decatur, Danville and Bloomington—Races in August.

A racing circuit has been formed by the trotting associations of Decatur, Danville and Bloomington. Yesterday representatives from each city were in Decatur to talk the matter over with George A. Keller of the local association. The dates set for the meeting was as follows: Danvile, August 16 to 19, Decatur, August 23 to 26, and Bloomington, August 30 to September 2.

For the pacers the classes will be as follows: 2:12, 2 16, 2:19, 2.23, 2:27, 2:35. All purse races will be for $500 each. The classes for the trotters will be 2:10, 2:16, 2:21, 2:27 2:35. The purses will all be $500. The members of each association will at once begin booming their meets and it is thought that there is no doubt but that there will be a large attendance at the races on the circuit.

Prehistoric Mounds.

Prehistoric mounds have been discovered on the Dr. Swain pasture, west of the city, on the Springfield road. The grass on the mounds grow longer than in other parts of the pasture and they are unmistakably the remains of the burying places of the prehistoric inhabitants.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

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Story About Lieut. Moore and Gunboat Nantucket

DEFENSE OF SOUTHERN COAST

Port Royal the Scene of Great Naval Activity—People Loyal Everywhere and Constantly on the Alert.

From the Daily of Friday.

Miss Laura Johns returned yesterday from a stay of more than four months with her sister, Mrs Charles Moore, wife of Lieutenant Moore of the United States navy, at Port Royal, S. C.

Miss Johns' stay at this little island was made doubly interesting by the war excitement which centres at Port Royal, this being the naval reserve station and one of the main dry docks on the Atlantic coast, where the large ships are accommodated. Since the beginning of the present conflict with Spain the station has assumed an extremely interesting and important aspect. The defenses have hitherto been neglected by the government but they are now being strengthened as rapidly as possible; $60,000 has been appropriated for this purpose and several large guns have been sent down and three batteries established under naval command. An immense amount of coal and ships' supplies have been sent there and a large number of the vessels, especially the tug boats and torpedo boats make this their stopping place for coal and supplies in their trip from New York to Key West. The large vessels will also put in here for coal and supplies. Miss Johns found the enthusiasm and patriotism quite as strong and intense in the south as here. The forces of the naval reserve which will be retained for the coast defenses are much disappointed because they will not go to the front and all are anxious to enlist their services in the more active duty.

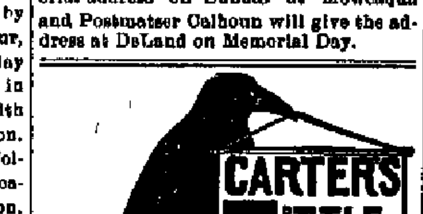
Miss Johns in speaking of the trouble experienced by Lieutenant Moore when he first took command of the coast defense boat Nantucket, said that the situation was exaggerated in many of the newspaper accounts. The same trouble was experienced among the naval reserve forces which were ordered aboard the boat as was experienced in our state militia when ordered to report to other than their own officers. The men were not willing at first to recognize other authority than that of their commander and the commander of the naval reserve forces went so far as to raise the flag of the boat and put the boat in commission without authority from the naval officers at Washington. Lieutenant Moore had been ordered by the navy department first to inspect and later to superintend the repairs of the boat and was then given command. When the flag was raised by the naval commander he immediately telegraphed to Washington and was ordered to take command of the boat, which he did, lowering the first flag and putting the boat in commission with appropriate ceremonies. Since that time there has been no farther trouble.

W. R. C. Delegates.

Mrs. Effie R. Kennedy was elected delegate-at-large from the W. R. C. convention at Streator to the national convention at Cincinnati in September. Mrs. K. Harwood and Mrs. Inez Bender were elected delegates to the same convention. The women tendered the services of 10,000 loyal women to Governor Tanner in a telegram. They want to care for the families of soldiers who need help.

Memorial Day.

Rev. E B. Randle will deliver a memorial address on Sunday at Moweaqua and Postmaster Calhoun will give the address at DeLand on Memorial Day.



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Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Milly Cross, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Milly Cross, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the July term, on the first Monday in July next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

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A. R. KELLER, Administrator.

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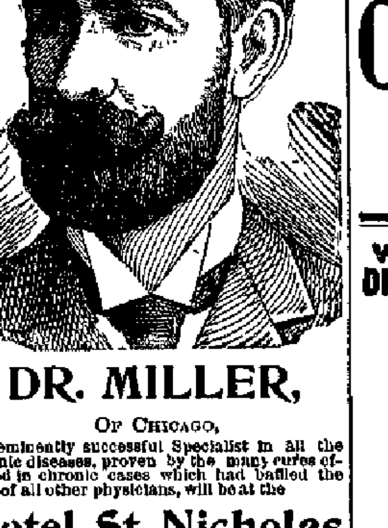
Woman's most glorious endowment is the power to awaken and hold the pure and honest love of a worthy man. When she loses it and still loves on, no one in the wide world can know the heart agony she endures. The woman who suffers from weakness and derangement of her special womanly organism soon loses the power to sway the heart of a man. Her general health suffers and she loses her good looks, her attractiveness, her amiability and her power and prestige as a woman. Dr R V. Pierce, of Buffalo N Y, with the assistance of his staff of able physicians, has prescribed for many thousands of women. He has devised a perfect and scientific remedy for women's ailments. It is known as Dr Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It is a positive specific for all weaknesses, diseases, disorders, displacements, irregularities, and debilitating drains peculiar to women. It purifies, regulates, strengthens and heals. Medicine dealers sell it, and no honest dealer will advise you to accept a substitute that he may make a little larger profit.

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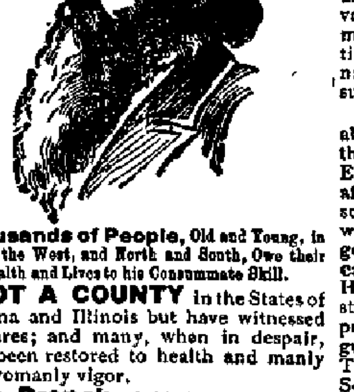
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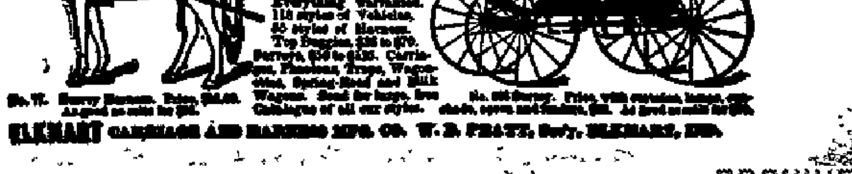
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FOUR HUNDRED SPANIARDS KILLED

In a Bloody Cuban Coast Battle Wednesday Near Cienfuegos.

KEY WEST, May 14.—The cruiser, Marblehead, the gunboat, Nashville, and the auxiliary cruiser, Window, steamed into the harbor of Cienfuegus early Wednesday morning with orders to cut the cable connection of Havana with Santiago de Cuba. This task was accomplished, but not until after a terrific fight between our warships and several thonsand Spanish troops, who lined the shore. They lay concealed behind improvised breastworks. One seaman, named Regan, of the Marblehead, was killed outright in one of the working small boats and six severely wounded. In addition a large number on board the ship received minor wounds. It is believed several of the wounded brought to Key Key West this morning on the Windom cannot recover.

Killed—Regan, a seaman, of the Marblehead.

Badly wounded—John Davis, John J. Donran, Earnest Sutzenickle, Herman W. Hochneister, Harry Hendrickson, Henry Boltz.

Soon after the arrival of the warships off Cienfuegos four boats were launched, and proceeded to the shore for the purpose of grappling for the cable in order to cut it. The warships lay a thousand yards off the harbor. It was observed that Spanish troops had assembled ashore, but it was not known that heavy guns had been placed in a masked battery and that the old lighthouse far out on the neck of the land had been transformed into a formidable fort. The small boats proceeded cautiously, and for more than an hour worked unmolested on the cable. Suddenly, just as the work was about completed, the shore battery fired a shell at the boats, followed by others, and the Spanish infantry opened fire with rifles Then, like a flash, the Marblehead sent a shell inland, followed by a perfect shower of shot. The Nashville quickly followed and the little Windom cut loose with four pounders. Meanwhile the Spanish bullets fell in every direction around the small boats. Though the attack came suddenly and fiercely the blue jackets were not dismayed, and, protected by the terrific fire of the warships, work continued, and the cable was cut. When the boats returned to the ship, Regan, who was in one of the Marblehead's boats, was found to be killed and six badly wounded. The Spaniards had suffered severe loss. Their shots from the lighthouse struck the warships several times and although they did not do much damage, the fire aroused the determination of the American officers to exterminate the fort.

Thereafter for a few moments the fire of the warships was concentrated upon the lighthouse and the improvised fort was blown to pieces. As there was a great number of Spaniards in and behind the fort many were killed, no doubt. The Marblehead and Nashville used the heaviest guns as well as the rapid fire guns, and hundreds of shots were thrown into the Spanish troops.

On board the ships a number were wounded. Commander Washburne, of the Nashville, was slightly wounded by a spent bullet.

SPANIARDS ADMIT 400 KILLED.

NEW YORK, May 14.—A special on the Cienfuegos loss says the Spanish loss is estimated at 400. The lighthouse was demolished. It is reported that the batteries on the shore were silenced. The arsenal was destroyed and the town set on fire by shells.

REPORT ON CIENFUEGOS ENGAGEMENT.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—The following has been received from Commodore Remey at Key West by the navy department: "The Windom arrived this morning with the following dead or wounded: Patrick Regan, private marine, dead; Herman W. Kuchneist, private marine, shot through the jaw, probably fatal; Harry Hendrickson, seaman, shot through the liver, probably fatal; Ernest Suntenich, apprentice, fracture of right leg: John J. Doran, boatswain's mate, gun shot wound; John Davis, gunner's mate, wound in right leg; William Lovery, apprentice, wounded in left leg, very slight; Robert Voltz, seaman on the Nashville, seriously wounded; Lieut. Cameron, of the Winslow, slight wound in hand. The casualities occurred in cutting the cable at Cienfuegos."

GUARDS GONE SOUTH.

First Regiment to Leave Camp Tanner Was the Gallant Fifth.

Band Music and Soldier Cheers for the Departing Volunteers--All Off for Chattanooga--Will Arrive Sunday Night.

CAMP TANNER, Springfield, May 14.—(Special to the Republican.)—2 p. m.—The United States volunteers from the great state of Illinois, the home of Lincoln and Grant and Logan and Oglesby, began leaving Camp Tanner today at 11:30 o'clock.

The first regiment to move out for Chattanooga under orders from Washington was the gallant 5th, of which the Decatur company, letter H, is a part. It goes in three battalions, a special train of Pullman palace cars and tourist sleepers for each battalion. The first train left camp at 11:30 a. m., the second at 1 p. m. and the third at 2 o'clock. The Decatur company is in the third section.

There was music by a band and great cheering by the men in camp as the 5th regiment got on the cars and everywhere there was a crowd full of infectious enthusiasm.

Colonel Culver and staff, with battalion officers, travel in the first section. Mrs. F. P. Wells, wife of Lieut. Col. Wells, will accompany her husband to Chattanooga park.

The company cooks last night prepared breakfast and at 9 a. m. today the soldiers had warmed over food.

We go by way of Central, this route: Springfield to Litchfield, thence to East St. Louis, to Cairo, thence to Chattanooga. Will be 36 hours on the road. Will arrive at camp some time Sunday night.

Claude Bury, McDonald and John Allen go ahead with the horses to a palace car. Hospital Stewards have not yet been assigned. Chenoweth and Honeum are with the battalions.

It was raining hard in camp three hours today.

LEE MAINE.

GETS OUT OF JAIL

Roy Bousman Discharged as a Pauper.

MAN WHO STABBED SHERIDAN

Last Summer and Was Convicted—A Short Session of Court To-Day but Plenty of Business.

From the Daily of Friday.

Roy Bousman, the man who was convicted at the last term of court for assault with intent to kill, and who has been serving a term in the county jail, will be released. Today in the circuit court entered a motion to be discharged as a pauper and after a hearing the prisoner was discharged. Bousman is the young man who stabbed William Sheridan in a room on East Eldorado street last summer. Sheridan was quite badly injured but he recovered. Bousman was fined $50, the fine and costs to stand committed until paid and he has been in the county jail ever since. He will now be released.

The session of court this morning was a short one but there was plenty of business. A large number of motions were heard. At 10 o'clock a recess was taken until tomorrow morning. The following were the entries on the court dockets today:

PEOPLE'S CASES.

Roy Bousman; assault with intent to kill. Motion by defendant to be discharged as pauper. Motion confessed and upon hearing defendant was discharged.

COMMON LAW CASES.

Union Iron Works vs. John F. Wallace. Judgment for $194.96 against defendant and costs and immediate execution.

CHANCERY CASES.

Ada P. Bartholomew et al vs. Orlando Powers; bill for accounting. Leave to amend bill.

American Trust and Savings Bank et al vs. John A. Dawson et al; chancery. Suit dismissed by agreement at cost of estate of L. B. Casner.

American Trust and Savings Bank et al vs. John Casner et al; creditors bill. Suit dismissed by agreement at costs of estate of L. B. Casner.

Eliza McBride, executrix, vs. Audley D. Risley et al; foreclosure. Appearance of Audley D. and Luella Risley, E. J. Rivard et al, in writing, all defendants not served.

Daniel Knotts vs. Robert Hunter et al; foreclosure. Proof of publication made.

Henry A. Wood vs. Charles E. Schroll et al; foreclosure. Proof of publication made; leave to sheriff to amend return.

Dowil E. Brooks vs. Albert E. Clark et al; foreclosure. Proof of publication made.

Sarah A. Watts vs. Frank E. Woolverton et al; partition. Proof of publication made.

William A. Eubanks, assignee, etc., vs. Joseph W. Smith et al; foreclosure. Rule to answer by second Saturday.

William A. Eubanks vs. Frank W. Caldwell et al; foreclosure. Continued by agreement.

Martha Keller, et al, vs. E. J. Roberts et al; chancery. Rule to answer extended to second Saturday.

Anna Walston vs. Robert L. Walston et al; partition. Appearance of Lola and Edwin B. Walston, Percival and Louise Chubb in writing. E. S. McDonald appointed guardian ad litem.

David A. Maffit vs. Hugh Carmichael et al; chancery. Rule to answer extended to second Wednesday.

The Phoenix Loan Association vs. James W. Sanders et al; foreclosure. Leave to amend bill and rule to answer extended to second Thursday.

REAL ESTATE DEAL.

Gallagher Block Traded for 2,400 Acres of Kansas Land.

The business building on North Water street commonly known as the Gallagher block has been traded by the owner, Mrs. Rachel Gallagher Brown, for 2400 acres of land near Wichita, Kan. The new owner of the building will be Mrs. M. E. Ellis of Kansas City. She expects to make extensive improvements in the building. An elevator will be put in and flats will be made on each floor. The owner herself will reside in the building. The consideration named is $58,000. Dr. Benjamin Brown, who acts as agent for his wife in this city, sent men to look at the Kansas land and found it to be satisfactory. Part of the land is a stock farm of 320 acres and the rest is wheat land. It is all under cultivation and well improved. Dr. and Mrs. Brown expect to go to Kansas themselves in a few weeks and look over the land.

DEMOCRATS MEET

For the Purpose of Organizing the County Committee.

From the Daily of Saturday.

The members of the Democratic county central committee held a meeting this afternoon in the city council rooms for the purpose of organization. Major Williams of this city was elected chairman and Lee Hall was chosen as secretary. Benjamin Calwell, who is a candidate for congress, made an address. He said that the Democrats would elect two congressmen and one senator from this district and that at the next presidential election Fitzhugh Lee would be chosen or if he was lost in the war, the hero of Manila, Dewey, was also a Democrat and they could put him in office as president. Mr. Shumay, of Christian county, and John Hogan of Taylorville, also made short addresses.

The committee will have another meeting later to decide upon the time of the county convention. It will be held rather late this year.

Highway Commissioners.

From the Daily of Saturday.

The highway commissioners held a meeting this afternoon at the office of Town Clerk A. H. Cope. Among other business transacted was the approval of the bond of Kincaid and Company, who have the contract for grading for the new bridge which will be built over Steven's Creek on the Mt. Pulaski road. The bond was for $1000. The bond of J. D. Adams and Co., who have the contract for building the bridge, has not yet been filed. They are required to give a bond in the sum of $5000.

There is some talk of gravelling the highway known as the Seitz road, which runs from the Mt. Pulaski to the Springfield road about three miles west of the city. It has been suggested that the township may furnish the gravel and the farmers the work.

A suggestion has been made to the highway commissioners that signs be put up in different parts of the township giving the names of the roads and the distances from the city. The plan seems to meet with favor with those who have discussed it and it would certainly be a great convenience to the wheelmen and persons driving in the country.

Death of a Child.

From the Daily of Saturday.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kist died at 10 p. m. Friday, at the family residence, 644 East Clay street.

The funeral was held this afternoon at 4 o'clock from the residence and the burial was at Greenwood cemetery.

Why is the dead beat always very much alive?

When water is not convenient it should be supplied.

CONVENTIONS.

Two Will be Held by Macon County Republicans

ONE TO NAME OFFICERS

The Other to Select Delegates to State, Senatorial and Congressional Conventions -- Central Committee Met.

From the Daily of Saturday.

The members of the Republican county central committee held a meeting at the city council rooms today at noon to decide upon the dates of the county conventions. Capt. R. P. Lytle presided and H. K. Midkiff acted as secretary. The following are the members of the central committee, representing the different districts: Austin, C. D. Newlin; Boody, E. W. Jokisch; Decatur, first district, John Goding; second district, J. W. Weigand; third, Bert B. Bobb; fourth, H. C. Anthony; fifth, Harry K. Midkiff; sixth, L. H. Martin; seventh, D. A. Maffit; eighth, Thomas Quinn; ninth, Ed Wills; tenth, Ben Hawkins; eleventh, James Record; twelfth, L. B. Shelly, thirteenth, W. N. Lewis; fourteenth, Alexander McIntosh; Friend's Creek, Dr. Thomas; Hickory Point, Henry Martin; Harristown, M. D. Camp; Illini, R. R. Ballinger; Long Creek, H. Lihtenberger; Mason, R. H. Wood; Maroa, T. N. Levitt and Sylvester Jones; Milam, A. H. Hill; Niantic, Ed Keith; Oakley, Irving Heckman; Pleasant View, W. B. Bean; South Wheatland, N. E. Stickle; Whitmore, J. E. Moothart. A large per cent of the members were in attendance at the meeting.

There was considerable discussion as to whether the primaries should be held on the same day all over the county. Dr. Thomas from Friends Creek township said that it was necessary to have them on Saturday and some of the city men thought that would be a bad day for the city people and didn't think it would be advisable to have the primaries held on a different day outside of the city. After some discussion Saturday was the day of the week decided upon. D. A. Maffit made a motion to hold primaries but once and have but one convention that to be in June. Alexander McIntosh was in favor of having two conventions, one at which the delegates to the state, congressional and senatorial conventions would be elected and another for the nomination of county officer. Most of the other members seemed to be in favor of two convention as the amendment was carried by a majority of the votes.

It was finally settled that primaries should be held on Saturday, June 11, from 4 until 7:30 p. m., at which time delegates would be selected to attend a county convention, to be held on Monday, June 14, when delegates to the state, senatorial and congressional convention will be selected.

On Saturday, August 20, primaries will be held when votes will be cast for the county officers. The voting will be from 4 until 7:30 p. m. and immediately after the close of the polls the delegates to the state convention will be elected, and they will be instructed for the candidates receiving the plurality of votes at the primaries. The county convention will be held Monday, August 22, at which time the county officers will be nominated. There will be 133 delegates at the county convention. The manner of voting for the delegates at the first primaries is left to the chairmen of each township. After the members of the central committee had decided upon the time of the conventions they adjourned.

To Consumptives,

As an honest remedy, Foley's Honey and Tar does not hold out false hopes in advanced stages, but truthfully claims to give comfort and relief in the very worst cases, and in the early stages to effect a cure. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

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Mrs. S. T. Rorer has been secured to give a series of cooking lectures at Champaign May 26 to 28.

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ATTACKED IN THE NIGHT.

Wesley Walton Suffered a Break-Down that Lasted Eight Years—A Remarkable Experience that has Attracted much Attention in Illinois—He Tells His Own Story.

From the Tri-County Scribe, Plymouth, Ill.

Plymouth, Ill., has no better known or more respected citizen than "Uncle" Wesley Walton. Early in life "Uncle" Wesley united with the Christian Church, and became prominent in its work. In the intervals, between busy days on the farm, he occasionally occupied the local pulpits of that church.

As a boy he had been rugged and strong, far beyond the strength of his boyish companions. His manhood fulfilled all the promises youth had made.

But in 1888, he was stricken with disease, and eight years of ceaseless suffering elapsed and the doctors did him no good. One day he read the story of a New York State man who had been similarly afflicted and that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People had cured him.

He purchased a box of the pills. Half a box made noticeable improvement in his condition, and within three months he was well. To-day he is hale and hearty. His recovery was looked upon as marvelous.

Recently a reporter for the *Tri-County Scribe* interviewed him regarding his marvelous recovery. His story follows:

"It was during the night of January 25, 1888, that I was attacked by the disease which made me an invalid for eight long years. I had no feeling in my body; it was almost impossible to cause a painful sensation by pinching or slapping me.

"I was never hungry, never thirsty, never sleepy, never tired. At times I had no control of my muscles. What would suffice for one meal now, would have lasted me a week then. Dr. Rayburn, of Denver, was my first doctor. He said I had chronic dyspepsia, but after treating me several months admitted he could do nothing for me.

"Then I called Drs. Sapp and Hooten, both old and successful practitioners. They doctored me a long time without helping me any. Then Drs. Sapp and Hooten dissolved partnership, and I kept on with Dr. Hooten. He told me that I had nervous prostration or something like heart failure, and that he had tried every remedy he could think of. A good deal of the time I laid in a half-stupor. The least agitation would so affect my heart that I scarcely dared move when I could.

"Finally, when I had given up hope, I read one day an account of a cure, effected in New York, by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. After pondering over the matter I bought a box. I began with one pill a day, taking it after breakfast. When I had taken half of a box I noticed an improvement, and from that on until I had taken two and a half boxes, I took two pills a day, then I reduced the dose again to one a day until I finished the third box. Then I quit, although I have taken them at intervals since, and have them always by me.

"In three months after I began taking them, I was a well man. I have no doubt that I would have been in my grave had it not been for these pills.

WESLEY WALTON, SR.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of July, 1897.

[SEAL] S. C. GILBERT, *Notary Public.*

The most successful physician of Plymouth, made a thorough examination of Mr. Walton's physical condition. His affidavit is appended.

PLYMOUTH, ILL., July 19, 1897.

This is to certify that I am a regular practicing physician, and that I have this day examined a Mr. Wesley Walton, and find that he has no heart nor lung trouble, that he has good health for a man of his age.

T. J. MCDANIEL, M. D.

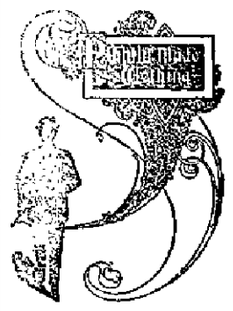
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All dealers sell Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, or they will be sent post paid on receipt of price, 50 cents a box, or six boxes for $2.50 (they are never sold in bulk or by the 100) by addressing Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

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suitable for dress or business wear, all wool, Blue Serge, neat effects, in all wool Cassimere, Homespun and Cheviot Sack Suits. The kind you would expect to pay more for. Take your pick at

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$2.50

Fancy checks, velours, cassimeres and worsteds.

Child's Knee Pant Suits, 8 to 15,

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THURSDAY, MAY 10, 1898.

It is stated that when the Vizcaya was in New York she ordered some awnings. The bill rendered was for $450, which amount was paid after the bill, by request, was made out for $1650. The captain's trimmings were $1200.

A telegram from Washington state that while there is a strong impression among congressmen that Speaker Reed will set himself up against the consideration of the resolution for the annexation of Hawaii, some of the members closest to the speaker do not share this view of his intentions. Congressman Dingley was asked as to the chances for the passage of the annexation measure. His reply was: "I think the resolution will pass." Mr. Dingley is probably the closest man in the house to Speaker Reed. He ought to know the purposes of the Speaker regarding the resolution. What he said does not indicate opposition from the speaker, as the resolution could not pass if consideration of it is not permitted.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: The desire of the continent European nations to make the United States declare itself on the question of the retention of the Philippine Islands will not be gratified. Of course the islands will be held until the war ends. Then the country will consider the question of whether it will hang on to them permanently, sell them or exchange them for territory nearer home. But the country will take its own time about deciding this question, and will decide it according to what it deems at the moment to be the best interests of its people. Europe's meddlesomeness will neither hasten this decision nor modify it in the faintest degree. Just at present the United States holds no part of the island except the neighborhood of Manila bay, but enough soldiers will soon be sent to Dewey to enable him to complete the conquest.

Chamberlain's Significant Speech.

Chicago Record: Great importance naturally attaches to the words of Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies, in his speech at Birmingham Friday evening. Mr. Chamberlain has not always been a tory, but he belongs to a tory cabinet, and in recent years he has shown the disposition of the strong conservative. He knows, as does every other member of the ministry, that the United States has not been inclined to the conservative policy, but he recognizes certain important facts, and there is an evident note of honest sentiment in these sentences.

"The time has arrived when Great Britain may be confronted by a combination of powers, and our first duty, therefore, is to draw all parts of the empire into close unity, and our next to maintain the bonds of permanent unity with our kinsmen across the Atlantic. There is a powerful and generous nation, speaking our language, bred of our bone and having interests identical with ours. I would go so far as to say that, terrible as war may be, even war itself would be cheaply purchased if in a great and noble cause the stars and stripes and the union jack should wave together over an Anglo-Saxon alliance. It is one of the most satisfactory results of Lord Salisbury's policy that at the present time these two great nations understand each other better than they ever have done since over a century ago they were separated by the blunder of a British government."

Great Britain, no doubt, needs an ally. In its "splendid isolation," it now stands in danger of being compelled to face all Europe. The Franco-Russian alliance hardly conceals its hostility and Kaiser Wilhelm, like one other monarch of the dreibund, has no love to spare for his grandmother's country, although Italy, from traditional friendship, might be disposed to restrain to the utmost any combined assault upon the British power. England's situation, therefore, makes an Anglo-American alliance seem to British statesmen a desirable thing. But there is something more than mere selfishness in Mr. Chamberlain's remarks, and it is a question whether there may not be a strong undercurrent of British sentiment in favor of closer relations with the United States. The Englishman seems to have awakened suddenly with no little surprise, to the fact that the American comes from his stock, speaks his language and shares a good many of his ideals and holds other qualities in common.

That he has done so is a cheering sign, and there need be no doubt that whatever tokens of friendship Great Britain may manifest will be cordially reciprocated by the majority of the American people. Whether it would be politic or possible for this nation to carry this good feeling so far as to enter into an alliance, even of the most passive and indefinite kind, is not a question to be considered now. The United States will deliberate long before taking any step whatsoever which might involve it in the troubles of European powers.

How Men Fight Now-a-days.

Washington Star: George P. Gross, the colonel of the 8d regiment, talked of war to a reporter this morning—about war as it really is.

"There have been changes in war tactics since the civil war," said he. "For instance, soldiers used to line up in battle shoulder to shoulder and stand out in the open under a galling fire. That has been changed. In the Spanish war infantry will do most of its fighting in extended order. When the regiments are in line firing the men will be three, four, five or even six feet apart. The extended order line is similar to the skirmish line. It is an effective way of fighting and greatly reduces the loss of men.

"To march men upon the field shoulder to shoulder in the face of rapid-fire artillery means a great slaughter. Gatling and Hotchkiss guns would simply mow them down. Then, too, the men are allowed to protect themselves. They lie down and, with their trench knives or bayonets, scoop up loose earth, which is a great protection from infantry fire. Loose earth will stop rifle bullets.

"In the last war we used to raise earth fortifications and tramp the earth down hard. That is just what we should not have done. We should have thrown up the earth loosely.

"In an engagement a regiment is marched out upon the field in three battalions under the command of majors, the companies—four to a battalion—commanded by the captains. By this means the colonel and lieutenant colonel can direct the maneuvering of the regiment. It is much more effective than the old method of bringing the regiments into action in close order."

The Island of Curacon.

W. E. Curtis in Chicago Record: Curacoa is a Dutch colony and the quaintest little island in the world. It is not bigger than the District of Columbia, but has about 40,000 inhabitants and has played an important part in the history of America. It has belonged at different times to England, Spain and Holland, and its cozy harbor has been the scene of many a bloody battle between the navies of the old world, as well as between the pirates and buccaneers that infested the Caribbean sea for two centuries. It has been for 100 years and still is an asylum for political fugitives, and many of the revolutions that rack and wreck the republics on the Spanish main are hatched under the shelter of the pretentious but harmless fortresses that guard its port. Bolivar, Santa Anna and many other famous men in Spanish-American history have lived there in exile and until recently there was an imposing castle upon one of the hills called Bolivar's tower. There the founder of five republics lived in banishment for years and waited for rescue.

The houses are built in the Dutch style exactly like those in Holland; the streets are so narrow that the people can almost shake hands through their windows with the neighbors across the way, and the walls are as thick as would be needed for a fortress. The Dutch governor lives in a solemn looking old mansion fronting the Shattegat or lagoon that forms the harbor guarded by a company of stupid looking soldiers with a few old fashioned cannon. The entire island is of phosphates and the government receives a revenue of $500,000 from companies that ship them away. There is not a spring or a well or any fresh water, and the inhabitants are entirely dependent upon rainwater for existence, or upon supplies brought in barrels by schooners from the Venezuelan coast, 90 miles away, or upon distilled sea water. As sometimes it doesn't rain for a year or two the natural supply is often exhausted, and a glass of imported water is worth as much as the same amount of wine or beer.

Italian Mothers Menace the Crown

New York Journal: Italian mothers have heard the bitter cries of their starving children, and with that note in their ears are deaf to the law, blind to all danger, forgetful of every womanly trait except the instinct of enraged motherhood to protect its young.

Italy may well dread those infuriated women fighting for bread in the streets of Milan. The world may well turn aside from the events of the struggle between the United States and Spain to watch this battle between the mother sense and the mass of corruption, spoliation and rottenness they call the Italian monarchy. A throne has been overthrown before now because the women of the people saw their children starving while the lords and ladies of the court of Versailles went well fed and finely garbed. Human nature has not changed in a hundred years. The instinct which makes a woman fight when her child is imperiled will not die out in a century of centuries. It is rooted more deeply than even human nature, for it is the animal nature. The beasts of the jungle and the steppes are akin in it to the noblest woman. The bear robbed of her cub, the wolf bereft of her whelp, the woman who sees peril menacing her child are alike fierce, desperate, unconquerable. Women fighting in the streets of Milan for their children are a warning to all the world, a death warrant to Italy. Whatever the land, whatever the government against which mothers array themselves in battle that their children may live, that land shall be torn by revolution, that government shall fall.

Commencement at Macon.

The schools of Macon are among the last in the county to close this year owing to the fact that the schools were delayed in the beginning last fall by the lateness in completing the school building. The schools will close on May 27 and the commencement exercises will be held at the M. E church on the evening of the 26th. Several out of town speakers will be present and the exercises will be of an unusually interesting nature. The members of the graduating class are Miss Leota Bacchle, Miss Emma Boren and Messrs. Willie Hight, Jesse Lawley, Bert Chase, Carl Hoover.

The teachers for the schools for the next year are A. E. Golden principal, Miss J. Elizabeth Schudel, Miss Ella Sturgess and Miss Mary Anderson, assistants.

At the Turner Park.

The rain Sunday interfered somewhat with the patriotic concert given by Goodmans' band at the Turner park but in spite of the bad weather there was a fair attendance. The band went out at 4 o'clock and music was rendered during the afternoon and evening. Supper was served and those in attendance enjoyed themselves. The band will probably give another concert soon.

Sunday at Danville.

Dr. and Mrs. S. J. Bumstead spent Sunday with relatives at Danville. Dr. Bumstead visited the buildings in course of erection at the National Soldiers' Home at that place. Three of the larger buildings are nearing completion and are to be devoted to the hospital. Sixty or seventy buildings in all will be built before the home is finished and equipped.

DIVORCE CASES

Two Were Granted by Judge Vail To-Day.

JURY HAS BEEN SECURED

To Hear the Abel Divorce Case—Mrs. Abel on the Stand This Morning — Amendment to the Bill.

From the Daily of Wednesday.

The attention of Judge Vail in the circuit court is now being taken up with the hearing of divorce cases. This morning two divorces were granted. The case of Flaudia T Abel vs. Louis Abel is being tried by a jury. The jurors were all secured this morning and are as follows: George White, D. E. Baldwin, Henry Raub, Thomas Hamilton, C. L. Jones, Charles O'Bamon, S. Sheneman, Thomas Waxenberger, F. B. Roby, A. Bachman, Ed Kellogton, D. J. Cloyd.

Mrs. Abel asks for a divorce on the grounds of repeated cruelty. Mills Brothers appear for her and Attorney C. C. Leforgee appears for Mr. Abel. The first witness was Mrs Abel and she was on the stand this forenoon. Mr. Mills asked the witness questions in regard to the general conduct of her husband and Mr. Leforgee objected. The judge stated that the testimony must be confined only to particular times mentioned in the bill and Mr. Mills asked leave to amend the bill, and asked for time to make the amendments so the case was postponed until afternoon when it was again taken up.

Before the noon adjournment Judge Vail granted two divorces, one to Pearl Dodwell and the other to Minnie Nelson. The entries on the court docket today were as follows:

CHANCERY CASES.

Abdiel T. Risley vs. John R. Dougherty et al; foreclosure. Leave to withdraw answer.

William H. Nickey vs. Rosalie A. Rosen et al; foreclosure. Order of reference set aside and leave to amend.

David E. Brooks vs. Albert L. Clark et al; foreclosure. Leave to mend instanter and rule to answer by Saturday morning.

Stella H. Alexander vs. Arthur B. Alexander, divorce. Dismissed by complainant.

Harriet B. Moore vs. Silas F. Moore; divorce. Leave to withdraw original bill and file amended bill instanter and rule to answer by tomorrow morning.

People's Savings and Loan Association vs. Karl Sterns et al; foreclosure. Decree pro confesso and referred for computation.

People's Saving and Loan Association vs John E. Baum et al; foreclosure. Decree pro confesso and referred for computation.

Pearl Dodwell vs. Oliver Dodwell; divorce. Cause heard. Decree as prayed.

Equitable Loan and Investment Association vs. Richard H. Cater et al; foreclosure. Rule to answer by tomorrow morning.

Anna Walston vs. Robert L. Walston et al; partition. Default as to defendants not answering and referred as to proof and conclusion.

Minnie Nelson vs. William David Nelson; divorce. Cause heard and decree as prayed.

CONVENTION AT LATHAM.

Large Numbers in Attendance—To-Day's Session.

From the Daily of Wednesday.

A large number of delegates passed through Decatur yesterday afternoon en route to the Epworth League convention which is in session at Latham. The first session was held yesterday afternoon. The session of today opened this morning at 8 o'clock with heart and lip service, led by Rev. T. N. Ewing of Arthur. At 9:30 Rev. E. B. Randle of this city delivered an address on "The League Obligations to the Church Benevolencies" and at 10:30 Mrs. W. F. Gilmore gave a talk on "Junior League and Bible Study." At the afternoon session Rev. Frost Craft delivered an address on the subject of "The Power and Peril of Social Influence." The lip and life service of the afternoon was led by Rev. Arthur Wells of Asbury and Wesley churches. The principal address of the evening session will be made by Rev M. H Ewers, state superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League. The convention closes this evening. Delegates who took the afternoon train from Decatur for Latham yesterday were Rev. E B. Randle, Rev. J. W. Eckman of Arcola, Rev. C. P. Hord, Rev. J. Glick, Rev. J.W. Waltz Rev., A. L Plowman, Rev. T N. Ewing, Rev. E J Durham, Rev Arthur Wells, Rev. J. G. Jeffers, Rev. J. W. Crane, Mrs. Hatch, Mrs Olive Dones of Assumption, Mrs Frankie Roff, Jessie Whitaker, Mrs. Elsie Anderson, Misses Ida Higgins, Lizzie Small, Clara Hight, Mr and Mrs R C Augustine, T. W Ewing and many others from Cerro Gordo, Arcola, Arthur and Stonington.

SILVER MEDAL MARKS.

Frank Curtis Receives Orders to be Sent to the Guards.

During the war of 1861-5 many a brave volunteer fell in battle and was placed in his grave as an unknown simply because those who performed the last sad rite were unable to find anything on the person of the soldier to identify him. It is the purpose of the United States army department to have every man in the service wear a silver medal marker badge, bearing his name, company and regiment.

Frank Curtis, the Decatur jeweler and manufacturer, is the pioneer in the west in the line of making the silver markers. The marker is of solid silver about the size of a quarter, and is attached to a silver chain of proper length, which will be worn about the neck next the skin. Two orders were left with Mr. Curtis this morning for Bruce Chenoweth and Will Housum, who are now at Chickamauga with the 5th regiment. The markers will be forwarded at once to the young men. No doubt many other orders for the silver markers will be left with Mr. Curtis. He says he is prepared to fill all orders speedily at reasonable figures.

All parents of young men in the Decatur company will no doubt be quick to follow the suggestion of the army officials and see that their sons are provided with the identification badges.

WILL OF WILLIAM BRADLEY.

Probated in the County Court—Estate Valued at $14,000.

From the Daily of Tuesday.

The will of the late William Bradley was admitted to probate by Judge Hammer today in the county court. The estate consists of 200 acres of land in Macon about $1000 in cash and bills receivable, all estimated to be worth about $14,000. The son of the testator, John J. Bradley, is named as sole executor and gave bond in the sum of $2500. The rectors of St Stanislaus' Roman Catholic church of Macon, St. Mary's Roman Catholic church of Huntsville Alabama, and St. Benedict's Catholic church of Atchison, Kan., $350 each is bequeathed, the priests in consideration of the bequest to say masses for the repose of the souls of the testator and his late wife, Mary Bradley. To Father Frank Alleywishes, a nephew, $250 is bequeathed for the same purpose. The rest of the estate is left to the daughter, Ellen Tomilson, and the two sons, John J. and William Bradley.

JOHN A. REEVE INJURED.

The City Clerk Confined to His Home With a Lame Leg.

City Clerk John A. Reeve met with a painful accident yesterday. He was riding on the West Main street car going to his home. At Haworth avenue he stepped off the car to go to walk over to his residence on West Macon street. The car was an open one with a high platform. It had not entirely stopped when Mr. Reeve started to get off and the step was much higher from the ground than he expected. As he stepped off he was thrown a distance of about 15 feet and his left leg about the knee was badly sprained. Mr. Reeve was unable to walk and he was taken in the street car to the drug store at the corner of West Main street and Oakland avenue and from there was assisted to his home. He will probably be confined to his house for some time on account of the accident.

SCHOOL NOTES.

Doings of Teachers and Scholars of County Schools.

There will be commencement exercises at the Niantic school on June 3. There is a large class of pupils who will graduate. The commencement exercises at the Monticello schools took place Friday. There was a graduating class of six, five young ladies and one young man. The exercises were quite largely attended.

Ralph Griffin has been engaged to teach next year at the Belle Prairie school. Miss Nora Walton has been engaged for the American school and Hiram Winter for the Bois de Arc school. Most all the teachers have now been supplied.

Saturday there as a grade meeting of the teachers of the ward schools of the city. They met at the high school.

Sunday Trains.

The Peoria, Decatur & Evansville railway put on two trains Sunday, May 15, running between Evansville and Peoria. Train No. 4 leaves Peoria at 8 a. m. every Sunday morning, arriving at Decatur at 11:10 a. m., departing for Mattoon and Evansville at 11:30 a. m. Train No 40 leaves Evansville at 7:50 every Sunday morning, arriving at Decatur at 3:10 p. m., leaving Decatur at 3:30 p. m. for Peoria and all points north and northwest. This will afford parties wishing a day's outing at Mackinaw and other places a grand opportunity. For further particulars see ticket agents, or write A. G. Palmer, G. P. A., Evansville, Ind.

Returned to Orphans' Home.

The two year old child which was taken from the Orphans' Home at Chicago some time ago by Rev. and Mrs. Spayd will be returned to the home this week. The child is a bright and beautiful little girl and Rev. and Mrs. Spayd have become much attached to her and are very loathe to give her up, but she has unfortunately developed a disease of the eyes which is fast resulting in total blindness and she will be returned to the home and educated as an asylum for the blind. Rev. Spayd will take a child from the Soldiers' Orphans' Home at Normal.

A Fact Worth Knowing.

Peter Haines, of Taylorville, Ill., says previous to taking treatment from Dr. R. B. Miller he had suffered dreadfully with catarrh of head, throat and lungs, making great pain in chest, with bowel and stomach diseases, until he had become so weak that he was unable to do a full day's work for seven years; that he had been treated by the most skillful doctors in the east without benefit. He consulted Dr. Miller, of Chicago, and was told his case was curable. He put himself under his treatment and he is to-day well and strong as ever and cheerfully recommends the afflicted to consult Dr. Miller.

Can consult him free at St. Nicholas Hotel May 25th.

Umbrellas And Parasols.

100 26-inch English Serge Umbrellas, steel rods, natural fir twist handles, 48c each.

100 26-inch English Gloria Umbrellas, steel rods, paragon frames, natural coral handles, at 75c each.

A Big Bargain.

50 Fancy Parasols, fine silk, trimmed with chiffon ruffles, solid black, cream and combinations—a $5.00 parasol for $2.50.

Children's Fancy Parasols, 15c, 25c, 35c and 50c each.

Ladies' Vests.

Cases of Ladies' Swiss Ribbed Cotton Vests at 5c, 8c, 10c, 12½c, 15c and 25c each.

SPECIAL—One case of Pure Silk, Swiss Ribbed Vests, silk taped sleeves and neck, all colors and sizes, at 50c each.

Gloves.

Ladies' Kid Gauntlets—English red and tan, 50c a pair.

Ladies' Fine Lisle Thread Gauntlets, kid faced, $1.00 pair.

Ladies' Fine Kid Gloves, 2-clasp, embroidered back, all colors, $1.00 pair.

Ladies' Heavy Taffeta Silk Gloves at 25c a pair.

Ladies' 4-Button Heavy Lisle Gloves, black and white embroidered backs, 35c pair.

Kayser's Patent Finger Tipped Silk Gloves, black, white and lemon, for street wear, three qualities, 50c, 75c and $1.00 pair.

Two-Clasp Arabian Suede Kid Gloves, white with stitched backs, 75c pair.

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DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE.

The Names of Those Who Have Been Appointed to Serve.

The following are the names of those who have been appointed as members of the Democratic county central committee:

Decatur, First—Julius R. Gengerke.
Second—Dr. J. H. Burke.
Third—J. P. Drennan.
Fourth—J. W. Bradfield.
Fifth—Frank Ewing.
Sixth—G. A. Stadler.
Seventh—E. C. Thayer.
Eighth—A. J. Hartley.
Ninth—John H. King.
Tenth—I. H. Snyder.
Eleventh—R. F. Kincaid.
Twelfth—John Fahey.
Thirteenth—Fred Saloggs.
Fourteenth—W. E Knight.
Fifteenth—A. O. Bolon.
Sixteenth—Lee S. Hall.
Seventeenth—C. M. Borchers.
Eighteenth—David Patterson.
Austin—Roy James, Kenney, Ill.
Blue Mound—R. H Smith, Decatur.
Friends Creek—C. R. Greenfield, Argenta.
Hickory Point—H. Hays, Decatur.
Harristown—Dr. J. L. Connelly, Harristown.
Illini—F. B. Ritchie, Warrensburg.
Long Creek—C D. Smith, Long Creek.
Macon—Bruce Waller, D. Wellepp, Macon.
Milam—William Best, Dalton City.
Mt. Zion—W. S. Whitehouse, Mt. Zion.
Niantic—J. P. Faris, Niantic.
Oakley—E. B. Smith, Oakley.
Pleasant View—W. H. Firey, Blue Mound.
South Macon—Fred Kraschell, Macon.
South Wheatland—Frank Ward, Elwin.
Whitmore—T. J. Austin, Oreana.

The executive committee is composed of E. B. Smith of Oakley, Roy James of Austin, Fred Kraschell of Macon and R. F. Kincaid and W. E. Knight of Decatur. The auditing committee is composed of H. Hays of Hickory Point and David Patterson and C. M. Borchers of Decatur.

Be Sure You Are Right.

If you are suffering from the effects of some long-standing chronic disease you certainly want it cured. The question of selecting the right doctor is a difficult one. True, there are many good doctors in Decatur, but none of them make a specialty of chronic diseases. Therefore, you must look elsewhere. Drs. Appleman and Prettyman are old established specialists in their line. They have been coming here five years, and while many young and inexperienced doctors have been and are coming to try to share in the special practice, none but these doctors have succeeded in building up a practice. Drs. Appleman and Prettyman enjoy the confidence of everybody, as they have built up a great reputation. See them at St. Nicholas Hotel Monday, May 25.

EXTENDED A CALL.

St. John's Church Has Asked Rev. Ruffner to be Their Pastor.

From the Daily of Tuesday.

The members of the vestry of St. John's Episcopal church held a meeting last night and decided to extend a call to Rev. H.W. Ruffner, the minister who preached at the church Sunday morning. Rev. Ruffner is curate of Grace chapel, New York city, and stopped in this city on his way to Quincy. At Springfield next Thursday he will be ordained a priest.

Mr. Ruffner is an unmarried man and is quite young, but he is a brilliant young minister and has met with great success thus far in his work in the church. The members of the congregation were well pleased with him when he preached in this city Sunday and therefore the members of the vestry extended a call to him. The vote of the vestry to extend the call was unanimous. Mr. Ruffner has letters of recommendation of the highest order.

It will probably be several days before the call is answered, but it is believed that it is not unlikely that Mr Ruffner will accept St John's church has been without a pastor for several months, since Rev Atkin left, but the pulpit has been filled by Rev Bedford-Jones, rector of All Angels' church.

Events on Decatur Circuit.

At Long Creek church Sunday, May 29, memorial services will be held by Rev. Danely at 10:30 a. m. The mission band will hold a strawberry and ice cream festival on the evening of June 1st.

At Mt. Zion church childrens' day services will be held on June 12. The members are arranging for a strawberry festival.

At the Elwin church there will be preaching by the pastor next Sunday and children's day will be celebrated the second Sunday in June.

At Blue Mound chapel there will be preaching by the pastor at 3 o'clock next Sunday and the children's service will be held the same as at the other churches on June 12.

Sales of Real Estate.

Elmer Troutman to Charles S. Troutman, the west half of the northeast quarter of 2, 17, 1 east; $500.

David Cameron to John Kemp, lot 1 of S. S. Jack's addition to Decatur; also lot 1 of David Cameron's resurvey of lots 2 and 3 of S. S. Jack's addition of Decatur; $2500.

Arrived Yesterday.

Our fresh stock of Garden Seeds. We also have to offer choice recleaned Clover and Timothy Seed.

LEON & MORRIS,
138 E. Wood street, Decatur, Ill.
March 17-wtf

Mrs. Rorer's Advice To Housekeepers.

Mrs. Sarah Tyson Rorer, Principal Philadelphia Cooking School and Editor Household Department, Ladies' Home Journal, says:

"Fifty pounds of ice in a refrigerator will do the work of seventy five or one hundred pounds in a closet. In the latter you get the cold from contact with the ice. Necessarily there is moisture. Food spoils quickly in moist air. In the refrigerator you use cold, dry air, and if your refrigerator is constructed on scientific principles, with proper ventilation, food will keep twice as long as in the box. I am pleased to call your attention to The Odorless Refrigerator, manufactured by The Keyser Manufacturing Co., Chattanooga, Tenn. I am using a refrigerator of this make in my school room, keeping it, or rather growing it, with all kinds of materials. I find the ventilation is so perfect, that even the milk and butter are not contaminated by foods with odors. Of course I have been using this refrigerator a year without scrubbing or scalding it. The average housewife feels it her duty to remove the contents and the ice, and scrub the refrigerator every week. Under such circumstances, a refrigerator soon wears out, and in fact, is not then a refrigerator. With such methods an ordinary box would answer the same purpose. Keep the drain pipe clean and let your refrigerator alone. If materials are spilled, wipe them off at once."

The Odorless Refrigerator is made only by the Keyser Mfg. Co. Chattanooga, Tenn. For sale by

MOREHOUSE & WELLS CO.,
134-140 East Main St.

Public Stock Sale

The undersigned will offer at public sale at our farm, 3 miles northwest of Decatur, on

MONDAY, MAY 23,

Ten head of choice Jersey cows and 3 Jersey bulls, including Pana Chief 48,452, dropped Nov. 27, 1896. This is a fine individual. 10 head of good horses of all ages and weight, some for surrey and some for farming use, and some are handsome light drivers, one pretty little black mare 4 years old, suitable for boy to ride. Also one fine black saddle mare 7 years old; also a good driver. You can get just what you want in the horse line. We also sell 8 head of fine young brood sows. For the accommodation of farmers the sale will begin at 1 30 sharp. Notes with approved security to be given before stock is removed. Notes due January 1st, 1899. Interest from date if not paid when due. S. M. LUTZ, P. A. LUTZ.

Col. W H. Knight, auctioneer.
may 16-d&w-1w

Will Go to Kansas.

David Cameron, through the land agency of J. H. Rowland and F. B Easterly, has traded his property in the northeast part of this city for a well improved farm of 160 acres in Linn county, Kansas, about four miles from the Missouri line, and 75 miles south of Kansas City, the consideration being $6000. Mr. Cameron and family will move to their new home about the 1st of November. Mr. Kemp, who now owns the Cameron property will greatly improve the same.

Farmers, don't fail to call at Spencer & Lehman's and see the New Deere Gang Plow. It beats them all. It is stronger, better and more convenient.
jan 13-wtf.

FARMERS' COLUMN.

LOANS.—We loan money and prefer good security, seeking rather such loans than loans not so well secured, even though they pay exorbitant rates. My relations with those who have money to loan are such that I can in nearly every case secure the money desired without delay. I make farm loans at 6 per cent. interest, giving the borrower the option of repaying the principal at any time in amounts of $100 or multiples thereof. I can handle good notes and can furnish cash in all cases where paper is unquestionable. My rates are reasonable. Come and see me whenever you want to borrow money and get my terms. GEO. W. EHRHART, Rooms 1 and 2 Carter Building, 137 North Water street. May 20-wtf

I WANT to exchange a fine well improved farm of 320 acres near Storm Lake, Iowa, for good Central Illinois land. No other kind of property wanted. Address A. M. DANELY, Decatur, Ill. May 19 wt

Chris. Brown's Standard Bred Stallions.

Regalia 1486 and Regalia Jr.

will make the season of 1898 at No. 237 South Water street, Decatur, Ill.

Regalia 1486,

added to his already lengthy 2:20 list in 1897, Chris. B, 2.13½, pacing; Marjorie, 2.16, trotting.

Regalia Jr. by Regalia 1486.

1st dam (dam of Marjorie 2167) by Mammoth 2052.

2nd dam by Danville Boy 440.

Shall be glad to see my friends and former patrons at any and all times.

CHRIS. BROWN.

may 5-d&w-2m

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All Classes of Loans Negotiated.
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jan 24-d&wtf

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OUR NEIGHBORS

SANGAMON.

Several from this vicinity were called upon to appear before the grand jury last week.

Z. T. Blaine attended the State Sunday School convention at Galesburg last week.

Mrs. Weaver of Decatur is visiting with Mrs. I. D. Jennings.

Farmers are progressing slowly with their corn planting. The heavy rains retard the work very much.

Willie, the four year old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Sullivan, is ill.

Rev. Ritchie held service at Sangamon Sunday.

Miss Maud Walker is on the sick list.

Fishing is an every day pastime now, not only for the small boy with his spool of thread for line and bended pin for hook but for the boys with gray locks as well. No mammoth catches have been reported as yet.

BEARSDALE.

Mrs. John Lehman returned from Farmer City Tuesday after spending a few days with her father, Joseph Major, who is ill with rheumatism.

Mr. and Mrs. James Baker, of Elwin, visited relatives here last Monday.

Miss Maud Hill entertained a few friends at her home northwest of here last Saturday evening.

F. S. Hunsley closed his school last Friday with dinner and an interesting program afterward. All present spent a very pleasant day.

Mrs Flora Lahew spent several days with Mrs. J. P. Campbell last week.

Mrs. Elias Shrum and son Charles are here from Nebraska and will make their home with Grandma Pharis.

Jerry Miller of Wyckles called on friends here this week

Farmers are holding on to their corn for better prices; none moving.

Mrs. Lizzie Sharrock of Decatur visited with H. Baum and wife this week.

William Carr is staying with J. B. Majors.

CASNER.

T. C. Buxton started Monday for a three weeks visit with relatives near Bentonville, Ark.

Ed Gayman will attend school this summer at Bushnell.

Holton Hall has hired to teach the Prairie Hall school the coming year.

Richard Collins met with quite a painful accident Friday last, having his hand badly mashed while putting the hand car in the building.

J. S. Underwood and family of Decatur spent a part of last week with the families of John Prather and John Underwood, visiting.

Ed Chapman took advantage of the excursion Sunday and went to Springfield.

MT. ZION.

Miss Stocks of Decatur visited here Friday of last week.

Mrs. Grubbs of Decatur is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. J. Berry.

Mrs. D. W. Cheek returned home from Indiana Friday, where she has been visiting relatives.

Oscar Illby is working at the Illinois Central junction.

Mr and Mr. Bateman visited with their daughter, Mrs. Britton, at Casner last week.

Miss Zelma Travis of Decatur spent Sunday with home folks.

Miss Josie Illby was shopping in Decatur Monday

Alfred Walker of Decatur was here Monday.

FORSYTH.

Bert Mowery, First hospital steward [of First Cavalry, is visiting his parents near this village.

Mrs. Spainhoure of Lane is visiting her sister, Mrs. D. L. Parkhurst.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Parkhurst, Saturday, May 14, a boy

Mart Pugh has moved to the farm of John Foulk north of Emery..

Mrs Charles Drury has returned home.

Blanche Cooper returned home from Clinton, where she has been visiting her sister.

DALTON CITY.

Pat Hogan of Decatur was on our streets last week.

Mr. W. M. Beard and daughter, Grace, were shopping in Decatur last week

Jack Hennebury of Chicago, the horse buyer, was here last week.

Willie Lansdon of Bethany was here last week.

Joseph Dankson of Bethany transacted business here Monday.

W. C. Greenfield visited Decatur Monday.

Miss Phrona Darsone was shopping in Decatur last week.

Miss Kate Duggan, who is teaching school east of Sullivan, visited home folks over Sunday.

Charley Tidd of Blue Mound visited his best girl over Sunday.

Joseph Hagerty made his annual trip to Decatur Monday.

George M. Auer, the cigarmaker of Decatur, was here Tuesday.

Mike Duggan of Decatur called on his friends here Tuesday.

Williamson Bros. returned from a visit in Kentucky Monday.

Mrs. Tillie McIntire visited friends in Decatur last week.

W. M. Clark is working in the butcher shop for Bill McClure.

Henry Snyder and wife visited Decatur Monday.

Ben Lester and H. L. Ground visited Decatur last week.

Last Sunday Joseph Jones was kicked by his horse four or five times. Dr. Wilson put three stitches in the cut over his eye.

Billie McClure has a sick child at his home.

Scott Rogers and Perre Brown of Sullivan visited home folks Sunday.

Mr and Mrs. George Goodman of Covington visited Mr and Mrs. Jerry Dwyer Sunday.

Miss Sarah McCoy visited home folks over Sunday.

Billie Wilson of Macon was here last week.

Mr. Nate Phillips died at his home here Sunday evening at 9 o'clock. He leaves a wife and two children. The remains were taken to Mt. Zion for burial.

NIANTIC.

A mail stand to catch the mail from fast trains under the new time card has been erected near the depot.

Mrs Hall, whose daughter, Miss Lucy, is very ill is herself sick in bed.

A surprise dinner was given at the Christian church last Wednesday in honor of Mrs Lizzie Chamberlain, who has been for so many years the faithful president of the sewing society, and who leaves soon for Farmer City to make her home with her son, J. H. Chamberlain. The dinner was excellent and ice cream was also served. Among those from a distance were Mrs. Holland, Clayton and Mrs. Rose Ford of Illiopolis and Mrs. J. Willard of Harristown. A collection among the sisters resulted in money with which to purchase a rocking chair as a parting gift to Mrs. Chamberlain.

Funeral services in honor of Mrs. Wilks occurred at the residence Tuesday, May 10. A special choir sang "Over There," "Going Home Tomorrow" and "Is It Well With My Soul."

Elder Ennofer offered prayer and read the last chapter of Revelation. In accordance with the wish of Mrs. Wilks there was no sermon and no flowers. The pall bearers were Elias Ford, George Lindsay, C. A. Hall, B. W. Durflinger, William Spoonler, Michael Knepp.

Mrs. Anna Hizer was taken to church Sunday and carried into the house in a chair She has been unable to attend church for several years, but Mrs. C. A. Hall had her taken to the dinner on Wednesday and it seemed to benefit her so much that she ventured to try going to Sunday's services. Her many friends rejoiced to see her there.

Adam Hawk has been suffering from a sore foot. Last fall he stuck a rusty nail in it and it healed over, but this spring it has become very sore and he has been unable to walk a part of the time.

Memorial services in honor of the ninth anniversary of the Epworth League were held at the M. E. church Sunday evening. The sermon was dispensed with and Rev. Pierce assisted in the exercises.

HARRISTOWN.

Miss Etta Cooper is still bedfast, but much better.

The road commissioners are having the roads graded from Harristown south to where the Springfield road turns east towards Decatur. Henry Wynecop is pulling it with his engine.

W.R. Dunkle had an accident last week his horses broke the tongue out of his new wagon.

A party and dance was given at the home of Ernest Corgel Saturday night.

Friday was the last day of school at the Hill school and an entertainment was given in the afternoon and at night.

Oliver Cooper and Annis Lane took hogs to Decatur Tuesday.

James Leonard took his engine to Decatur to have it fixed up so as it will not bother him during threshing season.

A party was given at the home of Ethel Glasgow Tuesday night.

MAROA.

Miss Dora Champbey returned of Clinton Saturday after a few day's visit in Maroa.

R. E. Persinger visited Chicago friends from Friday until Tuesday.

The Woman's Missionary society of the Presbyterian church met with Mrs. Eva Schenck on Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Grace Fry returned from Peoria on Thursday and is the guest of Mrs. Will Stonebraker.

Mrs William Stoutenborough returned from Springfield Thursday accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Hattie Ritter.

Miss Edna Horsman has resumed work at Schenck's cigar fatory. Dave Frank is also employed there.

Raymond Hoff of Decatur was the guest of Roy Moyer Sunday.

Dr. D. S. Anderson and wife returned from a visit with relatives at Cincinnati, Ohio, on Monday.

Elder Lloyd Newcomer is holding a meeting for the state board of the Christian church at Alexis. J. Fred Jones, state secretary, occupied the Christian pulpit Sunday.

S. M. Adams of Mowequa was the guest of Frank Stroud and family over Sunday.

"A Dream of Fairyland" at the opera house on Friday evening.

Tom Gilliland of Mowequa is the guest of his sister, Miss Mary Gilliland.

Dave Frank has returned from a visit with his brother at Greenville.

Will Curtis and family have occupied the Tracy porperty in the south part of town.

The Old Camp.

The old camp is deserted, our brave boys are gone,
Every post, every pillar, each fence and stone
Have a story to keep, till they fall to decay,
How the gallant old 5th dragged the slow days away.

E'en the sunbeams that peep through the chinks in the wall,
And the shadows that creep over manger and stall,
Seem to echo their songs and to breath o'er the prayer,
And to tell of the dreams that our brave boys dreampt there.

E'en the grass, on the slope where the white tents once gleamed,
And the star spangled flag in its proud glory streamed,
Seems to speak of the loved ones now far, far away,
Where they're gathered to move in dark battle array.

E'en the great silent guns that will boom in the fray,
Left a chill in their tracks when rumbled away:
For the boom bears a warning of death in its train,
That to conquer the foe, then, the foe must be slain.

To the call for our heroes, our proud nation's sons,
Sprang with cannon, with saber, with bayonet and guns,
To the front, to the front sprang the 5th Illinois,
Our own gallant soldiers, our true brave boys!

That our heroes are now far beyond our recall,
May the Great King of battle watch over them all.
May the loud cry of Peace wildly roll o'er the wave,
And our loved ones be saved from the soldiers' grave.

To the call of the bugle, the roll of the drum,
May each soldier, a hero, a proud nation's son,
Soon return from the front, with the 5th Illinois,
All covered with glory! Three cheers for the boys!

Open during the day and evening—Spencer and Lehman Carriage Repository, at the corner of Main and Wood streets. They have some open and canopy top traps that are beauties and a full line of fine and medium grade surreys, buggies, road wagons, etc. These are honest goods at honest prices.—29-d&wtf

Go to Spencer & Lehman's for wood pumps, iron lift pumps, force pumps, chain pumps and pump repairing.—Mar. 1-d&wtf.

Universalist Women.

CHICAGO, May 18.—The ninth May meeting of the Universalist Woman's Association of Illinois assembled here this morning and will continue in session tomorrow. Papers were read this afternoon.

SLEETH AT TAMPA

Decatur Photo Artist Close to Seat of War Action.

REPORTER FOR REPUBLICAN

To be on Board a Warship Off Cuba or Porto Rico or in the Field Where Cannon Balls and Bullets are Thick.

From the Daily of Wednesday.

Robert Sleeth, the photographer who went south recently under contract with New York magazines to get views of naval and land engagements, arrived at Tampa, Fla., on May 18. He is a hustler and will represent the Republican, sending letters frequently, giving stories of battles and incidents jotted down by a close observer. Sleeth's first letter came in the mail last evening. He writes from Tampa, describing at length the life of the regular army force, which he describes as a great machine. "That peculiar sound made by a body of men marching together and which I have learned to know so well in these two days is heard almost continuously. There is power in that sound, the power of some great machine and it is a great machine, the engine of war, the great destroyer, the sound is like no other sound that ever penetrated the human ear, yet it has been heard in every age, in every land. As I write I hear it. Two men are passing the house. I need not look to know that they are the night patrol. There are but two, yet that same power is in their step, the power of discipline. The troops were given orders to move, pack up and be ready. I asked them where they were going Nobody knew. I think they are going to Porto Rico, but wherever they go I will go with them. Will write you when I get there."

TORRENCE WILL CASE.

Claims of the Latham Young Man, Formerly a Wabash Brakeman.

From the Daily of Wednesday.

Chicago Inter-Ocean: The bill filed some time ago by David Torrence of Latham, Ill., attacking the will of the late General Torrence, was dismissed yesterday afternoon by Judge Tuley of the Circuit court, on the motion of the complainant David Torrence claims to be the son of General Torrence. In the latter's will he is described as a nephew and is cut off with $250. A. S. Trude appeared yesterday for young Torrence, on instructions from Beach & Hodnett of Lincoln, Ill.

Beach & Hodnett assert that a new bill will be filed in a few days on behalf of their client which will set up several necessary legal propositions which were not contained in the bill just dismissed. Attorney Prussing, representing the Torrence estate, objected to the bill being dismissed without the filing of suggestions of damages by the defendants to the bill. Judge Tuley, however, would not allow this to be done and an appeal was taken from the order of dismissal on behalf of the estate.

In the answer filed in the suit it was set up that a settlement had been made with the complainant by which he waived all his rights by receipt of $2500. David Torrence is now a farmer by occupation. He was formerly a brakeman on the Wabash railroad. He asserts that his mother married General Torrence 40 years ago in a small town in Ohio. He asked for the setting aside of the will of General Torrence on the ground that the testator was possessed of an insane delusion in his later years that his son was his nephew. The complainant further charged that at the time the will was made General Torrence was not of sound mind and memory but, on the contrary, his intellect was impaired to such an extent that he was incapacitated from making a just or proper distribution of his estate.

In New Offices.

The Decatur Gas and Electric Company expect to be ready to open their new offices on the first floor of the Powers block the latter part of this week. The offices will be handsomely fitted and conveniently arranged. J. H. Culver and Mr. Danforth, of the firm, are now in Chicago on business connected with the plant. The office will be in charge of Mrs. J. H. Culver, who is one of the stockholders and James Roberts will be one of the bookkeepers.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box For sale by J. E. King and C. F. Shilling.

Decoration Day at Macon.

The Grand Army post and the Sons of Veterans of Macon will celebrate Decoration Day with the usual ceremony this year. Memorial services will be held at the M. E. church on Sunday, May 29. Rev. A. Willard will conduct the services.

Damage Suit.

The $10,000 damage suit of Miss Anna Irish against the Visitation convent at St. Louis, is now on trial. Miss Irish asks for damages for permanent injuries she sustained by falling down an open elevator shaft at the convent.

Strike at Oshkosh.

OSHKOSH, WIS., May 16.—Two thousand members of the Woodworkers' Union struck this morning for 25 per cent advance in wages, weekly pay, the abolition of female labor and the recognition of the union. The strikers are orderly.

STORY OF SPY AND PARISH

The Sensational Incident on the Way to Chickamauga.

In the Chicago Record of Tuesday appeared the following paragraph, telling of the incident in which Major Colladay, Captain Cassell, Captain Parish and an alleged Spanish spy had a part.

SPY GETS ABOARD THE TRAIN.

An officer of the Illinois troops says that a spy was detected on the third section of the train bearing the Illinois troops last night just before reaching Murfreesboro. Captain Parish of Company B was officer of the day. All the men had got into the cars and Captain Parish told the guards they might go to sleep.

The guard on duty at the baggage car door, where all the powder, etc., was stored, was given implicit instructions not to admit any one to the car, not even the colonel of the regiment himself, as it would be extremely dangerous. A small, heavy set man of dark, swarthy complexion applied for admission near Murfreesboro and was challenged by the guard. The man had under his arm a light overcoat, carrying it loosely. He had every appearance of being a Spaniard, according to the description given by the guard The guard told him positively he could not get into the car, and the man started to enter by force. The guard pulled an army pistol from his belt, and was about to fire, when the fellow suddenly disappeared.

No more was seen of the man for some time afterward, when he was discovered in a Pullman car in the rear. His manner excited suspicion, and, without knowing of the occurrence at the baggage car, some of the boys hunted up the major and told him of the man's actions. The major inquired for Captain Parish, the officer of the day, and severely reprimanded him for his negligence of duty. Captain Parish was put under arrest by the major commanding, and Captain J. F. Cassell of Company H was put in his place. Captain Parish is still under arrest, but the supposed spy could not be found when the trained pulled in to Chattanooga. It is believed that he jumped from the train while en route.

UNDER WILSON.

The Fifth Regiment is in the First Division, First Brigade, U. S. Volunteers

Orders issued at Chickamauga place Major General James H. Wilson of Delaware, in command of the 1st infantry division of the provisional army corps, to be composed of three brigades of four regiments each. Brigadier Generals A. S. Burt, C. E. Compton and H. W. Lawton were assigned to command the brigades. The 5th Illinois, the 1st Ohio and the 3d Wisconsin have already been assigned to the command of Brigadier General Burt.

A telegram from Chickamauga Camp says: "The Illinois regiments owe it to the fortuitous circumstances of arrival about the same time that they will be in the same division. The plan of brigading regiments in the order in which they arrive has been adopted as the solution of all the vexed questions which would be sure to rise if a deliberate choice were exercised. The boys of the 5th Illinois are congratulating one another on being placed in General Andrew S. Burt's brigade. General Burt is the former commander of the United States 25th infantry, colored, who recently passed through Chicago on their way south and who are also remembered by the Chattanooga police. General Burt has the reputation of a ready fighter and an unvarnished soldier."

List of Patents

Granted to Illinois inventors this week Reported by C. A. Snow & Co., patent attorneys, Washington, D. C.:

N. Bouvaug, Rockford, photographic opaque negative and printing therefrom; J. R. Bowling, Meredosia, coin operated vending apparatus; J. M. Brown, Exeter, car coupling; W. W. Burson, Rockford, bind reaping machine; B. C. Buensing, Beecher, traction wheel; C. M. Giddings, Rockford, engine governor; F. E. Herdman, Winnetka, switch for electric motors; D. W. Knight, Newman, safety attachment for elevators; F. Messick, Bloomington, gasoline purifier; O. A. Morrow, Whitehall, wire fence machine; P. Petti, Peoria, washing machine; J. C. Sturges, Aurora, harrow; E. J. Sullivan, River Frost, illuminating lens for sidewalks; W. H. Sweitzer, Danville, die stock; M. Talen, Genesso, ripping attachment for sewing machines. For copy of any of the above patents send 10 cents in postage stamps with date of this paper to C. A. Snow & Co., Washington, D. C.

How to Look Good.

Good looks are really more than skin deep, depending entirely on a healthy condition of all the vital organs. If the liver is inactive, you have a bilious look if your stomach is disordered you have a dyspeptic look; if your kidneys are affected you have a pinched look. Secure good health and you will surely have good looks. "Electric Bitters" is a good Alterative and Tonic. Acts directly on the stomach, liver and kidneys, purifies the blood, cures pimples, blotches and boils, and gives a good complexion. Every bottle guaranteed. Sold at J. E. King's and C. F. Shilling's drug stores. 50 cents per bottle.

May Come to Illinois.

Rev. Freese of Myrtle Springs, Ark., is in Decatur visiting with friends and to consider a call which has been extended him to take charge of the churches at Bethlehem and Shady Grove.

The Lutz Sale.

The sale of fine stock at the Lutz farm, three miles northwest of the city, will be held Monday, May 23, instead of Tuesday, May 31, the date formerly announced. Sale begins at 1:30 p. m.

STATE S. S. WORKERS.

Twenty-Fourth Annual Convention in Session at the Edward Street Church.

DELEGATES FROM 754 CHURCHES

And 648 Schools--Over 200 Visitors to Remain in Decatur Three Days--All are More Than Welcome to the Convention City--Meetings are Open to Everybody.

From the Daily of Tuesday.

The 24th annual convention of the Illinois State Sunday School Association assembled at the Edward Street Christian church today. The first session of the convention was opened at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon. Owing to the central location of Decatur this is expected to be one of the largest conventions yet held, in point of numbers in attendance and fully 250 delegates are expected to be present tomorrow. The delegates arrived on all trains coming into the city this morning and at least two-thirds of the number expected were present this afternoon. The Sunday schools of the state were represented today by delegates from Rantoul, Fisher, El Paso, Danville, Peoria, Jacksonville, Taylorville, Springfield, Maroa, Niantic, Harristown, Dixon, Eureka, Chicago, St. Louis, Winchester, Pittsfield, Gerard, Carlinville and other points.

The members of the Edward street church will be assisted in entertaining the delegates by members of the various churches of the city. The Grace M E, First M. E., First Presbyterians, Cumberland Presbyterian, Congregational, United Brethren, English Lutheran, Church of God and First Baptist churches will entertain a number of the delegates. Lodging and breakfast will be furnished and the delegates will get luncheon and dinner at the hotels and restaurants.

The delegates report at the church immediately upon their arrival in the city. They are met at the trains by a reception committee composed of Messrs. George W. Jones and T. J McReynolds

The present officers of the association are: President, J. P. McKnight of Peoria; vice president, W. R. Corter of Lawrenceville; recording secretary, Rev. Marion Stevenson of Decatur; corresponding and secretary and treasurer, S S Jones of Danville.

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OPENING SESSION.

The opening session this afternoon was short and consisted mostly of the preliminary work of the convention. The convention was opened by brief remarks by the president, J P McKnight of Peoria, which were followed by devotional exercises led by Knox P. Taylor of Bloomington, state secretary of the association The song service was conducted by H. P Hayden of Eureka

An open parliament was held at which the question, "What Are We Here For," was discussed by members of the convention. The purpose of the meeting, the benefit expected to be derived from it, the work as it should be carried out and what each one expected to give in experience and suggestion to the success of the convention was discussed in the conference.

THE COMMITTEES.

The appointment of the committees which closed the afternoon session was made as follows:

Order of Business Committee—W. W. Weedon, chairman, C. B. Metcalf, E. B. Barnes

Enrollment Committee—J. F. Stivers, chairman, J W Kilborn, Charles Wright.

Press Committee—George L. Peters, chairman, E. E. Hartley, E. C. Stark, H. B. Peters.

Nominating Committee—J. Fred Jones, chairman, S. S Lapped, S. S. Jones.

Resolutions Committee—S A Ennifer, chairman, E. A. Gilliland, John Lemon.

The auditing committee and the committee on future work will be appointed

In addition to the program for this evening there will be song service by a quartette composed of Mrs. Howard, Miss Beatrice Howard and Messrs Wilbur Starling and Arthur Keith. Miss Howard will also sing a solo. Mrs. J. E. Patterson will preside at the organ.

The Program.

MAY 17.—AFTERNOON.

2:30. "What Are We Here For?"—F. W. Burnham, Charleston.

3:30. Appointment of Committees.

EVENING.

7:30. Song and Praise Service.

7:45. Address, "Sunday School Salt,"—S. H. Zendt, Dixon.

8:30. Address—George L. Snively, Jacksonville

MAY 18.—MORNING.

8:45. Praise Service.

9:00. Address—E. S. Ferrall, Watseka.

9:30. "The Teacher's Literature"—L. E. Newcomer, Maroa.

9:45. "Sunday School Music"—W. D. Deweese, Kankakee.

10:00. "Missions in the Sunday School"—K. C. Ventress, La Harp.

10:15. General Discussion.

10:30. President's Address—J. P. McKnight, Peoria.

11:15. Report of Board.

Report of Treasurer.

Report of Superintendent.

Business.

AFTERNOON.

2:00. Devotional.

2:15. "Bible Study an Inspiration to all Christian Enterprise"—L. W. Morgan, Atlanta.

2:45. "Searching the bible vs Talking About the Bible"—M Menges, Stanford.

3:00. "Latent Forces in Our Sunday School—J. I. Gunn, Marshall.

3:15. Parliament:

Sunday School Experiences

Primary—Miss Mildred Campbell, Bloomington.

Intermediate—C. B. Dabney, Mt Pulaski.

Senior—C E Evans, Chrisman.

EVENING.

7:15. Song Service.

8:15. "The Sunday School as a Factor in Christian Citizenship"—O W. Stewart, Chicago.

This is the second day of the State convention of the Illinois Sunday School Association, and the attendance is quite satisfactory. It is a grand meeting.

EVENING SESSION.

The evening session was opened with a praise service conducted by S. S. Jones of Danville, which was earnestly participated in by all present. This service was followed by prayer by E. B Barnes of Normal and selections by the quartet.

S. H. Zendt of Dixon was introduced and gave an excellent talk on the subject of "Sunday School Salt" Mr. Zendt in speaking on this original subject brought forth the ideas that truth is the salt of our lives and truth, plain and simple, should be used in presenting the lessons of life to the Sunday school pupils Character is salt. Character may be tasted. Salt always seasons. There is much in life that sorely needs the salt to give it savor We should always take our salt with us. The true teacher is the one who with tact and sympathy knows how to impart helpful lessons. Borrowed salt has no flavor and each one should seek to have salt in himself, to have individuality in his teachings and to give them flavor and make them palatable by his earnestness and a liberal use of the salt of truth.

George N. Snively of Jacksonville was on the program for an address on "How to Study the Bible." Mr. Snively failed to arrive in time to fill his place and B. C. Black spoke in his stead. Mr. Black's talk was well given and well received and contained many helpful ideas regarding the study of this book. Among other things he said:

"The Bible would never have come had it not been needed. It comes to us with the philosophy of existence. It can never fail.

"One should study not about the Bible, but the Bible itself. Infidels blunder because they do not study the book. Study with a motive. Study to show thyself approved unto God."

MORNING SESSION.

The morning session was opened with praise service which was enthusiastically given, there being a large number in attendance and the prospect for a successful day's work most encouraging. The first number on the program was an address by E. S. Ferrall of Watseka. Mr. Ferrall talked in a practical manner of the Sunday school work in general and gave many excellent suggestions regarding the improvement along all lines connected with the work, especially reminding the delegates that to secure the success which they all so much desire they must feel responsible for the work.

In the absence of L. E. Newcomer of Maroa, Silas Jones of Sterling spoke of the "The Teacher's Literature." The teacher should read everything that is helpful, but first of all the Bible.

M. P Hayden of Eureka followed this with a discussion of "Sunday School Music" and said: "The music of the Sunday school should be bright, cheerful, devotional, not simply light frivolous jingles.

C. C. Rodgrave, who united with the Tabernacle Christian church on last Lord's day, coming from the Congregational church in Connecticut, spoke on the "Missions of the Sunday School." The need of the missions are apparent when there are 20,000,000 of children and not half of them in the Sunday school

After a song service W W. Weedon president of the Sunday school board introduced to the convention J. P. McKnight of Peoria president of the convention, who delivered the annual address.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

In his address the president, J. P. McKnight of Peoria, talked of the work of the Sunday school from the standpoint of the position taken by Edwin Bok in the Ladies' Home Journal of last February when Mr Bok said editorially that the Sunday school was decaying and lagging behind in the progressive work of the church. Mr. McKnight, while not agreeing with Mr. Bok in his views, thought that there was room for impressions of this kind. Mr. McKnight talked at length on the methods to be employed in raising the standard of Sunday school work. The plan for the work must be changed, must be in accordance with the demands of the time, must be made practical and thorough, must be made entertaining and interesting. In order to accomplish this many ideas and methods were suggested. The speaker especially insisted on the importance of graded Sunday school work. The teachers should pass an examination and be thoroughly qualified for their duties and the work should have a diversity that will keep it constantly interesting and instructive.

The president's address was followed by an earnest prayer by O. S. Waggoner of Eureka. The report of the board, the treasurer and superintendent were next heard.

REPORT OF BOARD.

The report was made by S. S Jones of Danville At the beginning of the year there was an indebtedness of $1,900 which has been reduced to $300. Secretary Taylor has held 32 Bible institutes, delivered 272 addresses and collected $710.75. From his own salary he has given $510 for furtherance of the work. The work has grown, is encouraging and is demanding the work of an evangelist more than ever before, which is considered an encouraging feature

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Total receipts for the year $1319.56; disbursements, $1189 59; balance $29.97

COMMITTEES.

Knox P. Taylor of Bloomington, state superintendent, gave a brief report of his work showing encouraging features At the close of Mr. Taylor's address the following committees were appointed:

Auditing Committee—D. C. Brown chairman, C G. Cantrall, H. R. Jenner.

Future Work Committee—N S Haynes chairman, J. H. Hardin M. P Hayden.

Time and Place Committee—F. W. Burham chairman, Miss Georgie Richardson, L W. Morgan.

Resolutions Committee—I A. Ennifer chairman, E. A. Gilliland, John Lemon.

Adjourned until 3 p m.

AFTERNOON SESSION

This session was begun with short devotional services led by S. A Ennifer, after which L. W. Morgan of Atlanta spoke of "Bible Study as an Inspiration to All," and in an effective and convincing manner recalled the many instances in history in which the study of the Bible has stirred men to great and good deeds.

Next followed an able paper by M. Menges of Stanford on "Searching the Bible vs Talking About the Bible," and a later address by J. I. Gunn of Marshall on "Latent Forces in Our Sunday School

At 3:15 o'clock the parliament in which "Sunday School Experiences were discussed by Miss Mildred Campbell of Bloomington, primary; C. B Dabney of Mt Pulaski, intermediate, and C E. Evans of Chrisman senior, were to be the speakers. The program for tonight follows:

EVENING SESSION.

7:15. Song Service.

8:15. "The Sunday School as a Factor in Christian Citizenship"—O. W Stewart of Chicago

There will be special song service

The election of officers will occur tomorrow morning and in the evening the convention will come to a close

DEATH OF NATHIEL PHILIPS.

He Passed Away at His Home in Arcola, May 15.

Nathaniel Philips, son of A. M and Margaret Philips was born in Arcola, Ill., February 20, 1871, and departed this life May 15 at 9:30 p. m., 1898, aged 27 years, 2 months and 25 days. He was united in marriage to Miss Jennie Trulock September 2, 1893. To them were born two children, Lora, four years of age, and Neva, 19 months of age. He seemed conscious till the last and bid the family and his wife and children an affectionate farewell and passed peacefully away.

He had expressed his intention to go into the church and live a religious life when he grew better. He was quiet and affectionate in his disposition and was respected by all He was the youngest of a family of 11 children, all living but one, Easter, who died January 8, 1898. He leaves a faithful, affectionate wife who with loving heart and hand administered to him to the last, two little children, father, mother, six brothers and three sisters to mourn his death. The funeral services were held at the Christian church in Dalton City, conducted by Elder A. H Harrell.

Peace be to thy rest and love to thy memory. We will meet no more on earth, but we hope to meet where parting will be no more.

The remains were laid to rest in Mt. Zion cemetery The sorrowing relatives have the sympathy of the community.

Seriously Ill.

Mrs. Anna King is seriously ill at her residence at the Abbott House on West Prairie street. Mrs. King has been ill since the holidays and for the past three weeks has been in a serious condition. Her condition became critical two days ago and it is not believed that she will survive throughout the night. Her sickness is caused from an acute stomach trouble. Mrs. King is the sister of Mayor E. Z., William and Thomas Taylor and Mrs. James H Durfee.

Basket Meeting.

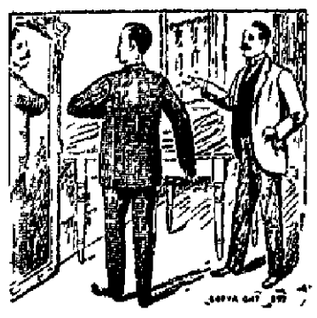
A H. Harrell of Windsor will hold a basket meeting at Bethel church, five miles east of Dalton and three miles east of Macon, May 29. Services 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p. m. Meetings will be continued the following week.

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SAYS WAR WILL SOON END

Rochefort Predicts the Capture of Colonies and a Speedy Triumph for the United States.

PARIS, May 14 —I saw Henry Rochefort, and he dictated the following:

"The war will soon be over An American army will occupy Havana within 15 days, perhaps sooner. The Spanish Cape Verde fleet never meant to meet Sampson. Its mysterious maneuvering was merely a Spanish trick. Porto Rico will be lost to Spain, as well as Cuba and the Philippines Doubtless the United States will hold the Philippines as a war indemnity Spain will not pay an indemnity in the form of money, because she has not got it. The United States may have abundant reasons for exchanging the Philippines for Jamaica The first and chief condition of peace should, and doubtless will be, that Spain *must clear out of* all those islands, where the United States will naturally exercise the highest form of suzerainty—that is to say, where she will promote liberty

"I believe the queen regent will have to leave Spain A Spanish republic will be establish with either Castelar or Salmeron at its head I should prefer to see Salmeron president of the peninsular republic to Castelar, because he is more of a republican.

"Weyler should not be permitted to have any share in the new order of things. He is a beast, a butcher and a robber The property he has stolen he has invested in England. I beg to assure the American people that the pulse of France beats warmly for the United States in her magnanimous fight for the freedom of Cuba"

ORDERS TO GEN. MILES.

He Will Delay Cuban Invasion Until After the Naval Battle.

WASHINGTON, May 13 —Direct orders given to General Miles this morning suspending, for the present, the movement of the army upon Cuba The suspension is induced by the proximity of the Cape Verde fleet to Cuban waters It is deemed by the department the part of wisdom not to risk landing troops on Cuban soil until it can be effected under the protection of a stronger fleet than is now available The fact that the movement is postponed is indirect evidence of a decisive naval battle expected within a few days. No doubt the squadron under Admiral Sampson will seek an engagement with the Spanish fleet at once, and it is with the idea of awaiting the result of that conflict that orders for the movement of land forces are held in abeyance temporarily

COAST WAR IN CUBA.

Accounts of Recent Engagements—Shelled Cardenas Good and Strong.

KEY WEST, FLA., May 14 —The Gussie's troops, Company E, 1st regiment, Captain J H Dorst, landed at Punta Frias, on the west shore of Cabanas Bay, Thursday at noon, routed the Spanish garrison, killed one officer and three soldiers. The only American hurt was C Archibald of San Francisco, who suffered a flesh wound in the arm

One hundred Spanish were in ambush, but by the Indian tactics of the Americans the Spaniards were routed. The convoy gunboats Manning and Wasp shelled the Spanish position in a 20-minutes engagement One prisoner was taken. He gives the name of Francisco Revenuge, and says there is no food ashore

Later the Wilmington, reinforced by the Manning and Wasp, bombarded the Cadenas city forts for two hours, after which the city capitulated by running up the white flag on the town hall It was discovered that 800 houses were burned, and the town was almost totally destroyed. The arsenal was blown up Marines were sent ashore

Old Glory Afloat.

KEY WEST, FLA, May 14 —While the Wilmington, Winslow and Hudson were in action at Cardenas, the Machias was shelling the battery and barracks at Dana Kyo, 12 miles distant The building was demolished

An armed boat's crew under Ensign Willard pulled ashore and took possession of the ruins, hoisting the American flag on the flagpole of the blockhouse

Failed to Land at Mariel.

KEY WEST, FLA, May 14 —The dispatch boat Dewey returned here yesterday having failed to land her Cuban expedition under convoy of the Hornet She attempted to land near Mariel, 20 miles west of Havana. Thirty Cubans had reached the shore, when 200 Spanish cavalry charged. The Hornet shelled the Spanish and the Cubans repulsed the charge A fight of a desultory kind lasted two hours Twelve Spaniards were killed but no Cubans were hurt. At Mariel the Hornet fired shells into a large number of soldiers, injuring many

WHAT SAMPSON SAID.

After Reducing the Fortification at San Juan--Easy Work.

"I am satisfied with the morning's work. I could have taken San Juan, but I have no force to hold it I only wanted to administer punishment This has been done. I came for the Spanish fleet and not for San Juan"—Sampson in an interview after the fight.

Dewey at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, May 14 —The city this afternoon celebrated Admiral Dewey's victory with a parade and speech making at Forest park. The city is in holiday attire and 50,000 strangers are in town from all the surrounding country.

Army Held in Check.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—The invasion of Cuba by the United States army has been postponed pending the expected battle between the American and Spanish fleets in the West Indies.

When the war managers yesterday received news that the enemy's armada was at Martinique they quickly called a halt on the forward movement of troops to Cuba

The 17,000 regulars at Tampa will remain there Of the 45,000 volunteers ordered to concentrate at Tampa, Mobile and New Orleans, the 40,000 from the north will be stopped at Chickamauga, as was first intended.

While the country is waiting for the sea fight and the officials are trying to solve its resultant problems, the raw recruits will be organized into brigades, divisions and corps on the historic battlefield. When the order does come they will be ready to move on Cuba at an hour's notice.

Men to Go to Philippines.

The 12,000 men ordered to San Francisco for the conquest of the Philippine Islands will go forward, as intended, and will be increased by another regiment from Minnesota This is the only part of the war program as it existed yesterday that has not been held in abeyance to await the result of the naval operations

The government will not throw troops into Cuba at this juncture because of the possibility of embarrassing and even fatal complications. It will be necessary to use all the powerful war ships to hunt down the Spanish flotilla and destroy it, and there may be no battle ships to cooperate with the army until that duty is done. The war department officials say the volunteers are to be halted at Chickamauga because it will be more comfortable for them there than at the Gulf cities. They can be organized at one place as well as another, and since the naval operations enforce a wait, no time will be lost

Armada to be Crushed.

With the enemy's fleet almost in our clutches the first duty is to crush that and clear the way to Cuba of the only obstacle

The original plan was to concentrate about 40,000 volunteers at Chickamauga, 30,000 at Washington, 4000 at San Francisco, 2000 at San Antonio, 3000 at New Orleans, 1000 at Tampa, and 1000 at Mobile, while about 50,000 were to be held in reserve, nominally for coast defense. That was the purpose Monday

Tuesday it was decided time might be saved by not halting the 40,000 volunteers at Chickamauga, and those troops were ordered to go on to Tampa, Mobile and New Orleans without stopping.

Wednesday it was decided to increase the expedition to the Philippines from 6000 or 7000 to 12,000 or 14,000. Consequently a large number of troops ordered to the gulf from Nebraska, Kansas North Dakota, Colorado, Wyoming and Montana were diverted westerward with instructions to go to San Francisco

Yesterday, to provide the army of invasion with its full quota of 45 000 volunteers, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, Maryland and several other states were directed to send additional regiments to the gulf camps.

THE GRAND JURY

Made the First Report to the Court To-Day.

RETURNED TEN INDICTMENTS

And Then Adjourned Until Next Thursday--A Short Session of Court This Morning but a Rushing Business.

From the Daily of Saturday.

There was a short session of the circuit court this forenoon and at 11 o'clock a recess was taken until Monday morning, when the petit jurors will report for duty

A large number of motions in chancery and common law cases were heard today.

The members of the grand jury made their first report to the court this morning, returning 10 indictments, the result of the week's work The grand jury then adjourned until next Thursday

The following were the entries on the court docket today:

COMMON LAW CASES

John W Somers vs G. W Prater confession Rule to plead extended to second Saturday

William Deering Co vs James H Deakins et al, assumpsit Rule to plead extended to second Saturday

CHANCERY CASES

William J Huff vs Blanch Huff, divorce decree pro confesso. Cause heard and decree as prayed

Thomas J Scroggins vs Alice J Whitley, et al, chancery. Continued for service

Henry A Wood vs Charles E Schroll et al foreclosure Dismissed as to William Stone Decree pro confesso and referred for proof and computation.

John B Prestley vs Hannah E Kirkbride et al, foreclosure Decree pro confesso and referred for proof, computation and report

Sarah A Watts vs Frank E Woolverton et al, partition Decree pro confesso M. C Griffin appointed guardian ad litem for unknown minor defendants and decree pro confesso adult defendants not answering and referred

Alexander H Antrim vs Sarah E Peck et al, foreclosure Dismissed as to Belle Kleibecker Decree pro confesso and referred for proof and conclusion

William A Eubanks, assignee, etc, vs, Joseph W Smith et al, foreclosure Demurrer to bill Demurrer sustained Leave to amend bill making new parties defendants and continued for service

People's Savings and Loan Association vs Thomas Lunn et al, foreclosure Appearance of Charles W Sewell and decree pro confesso and referred for proof and conclusions.

Lucien L Burrows et al vs Thomas J. Fleming et al, foreclosure Decree pro confesso and referred for computation

John B Prestley et al vs Charles E Schroll et al, foreclosure Decree pro confesso and referred for computation

The entry in the following cases was decree pro confesso and referred for proof and conclusions

J. E Osborne vs Charles E Schroll et al, foreclosure

Eliza McBride, executrix, vs Audley D Risley et al; foreclosure

William Bienz vs Carrol Edds et al, foreclosure

Hiram H Wise vs William Montgomery et al, foreclosure

Effie R Powers vs James Sibthorp et al, foreclosure

Henrietta Rucker et al vs Ann E Lichtenberger et al, partition

John C Boyce vs John A Miller, foreclosure

Ulysses Michl vs Mary Exley et al foreclosure

Daniel Knotts vs Robert Hunter et al, foreclosure.

August Buchwalt vs Sarah A Cunningham et al, foreclosure.

People's Savings and Loan Association vs. Agnes V Roddy et al, foreclosure

Henry Davis vs Anna Hamshor et al, foreclosure

People's Savings and Loan Association vs Winfield Z Walmsley et al, foreclosure.

John F Keister vs William A. Holman et al, foreclosure

Ethannon W Barkman vs. Rena M Barkman, divorce.

Amanda E. Childs vs. Noah H. Childs, divorce

Mary Michaels vs. George Michaels, divorce.

N J Case vs Samuel M Case, divorce.

THOSE INDICTED

Among the ten indictments returned this morning by the grand jury the following were jail cases:

James W Kiplinger; petit larceny

Ephriam Hall and Henry Martin, burglary and grand larceny

John Beckwith; petit larceny.

France Seems All Right.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Spain has protested to France against the Harvard being allowed to remain in Martinique ports to make repairs. France has replied upholding the right of the Harvard to remain.

The Late Bishop Perry.

DUBUQUE, IOWA, May 14 —The obsequies of the late Bishop Perry were held this afternoon at St John's Episcopal church, conducted by Bishop Tuttle of St. Louis.

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KEY WEST, FLA, May 14.—News from Havana is that the reconcentrados are dying of starvation. Carloads of the dead are taken daily through the Spanish lines.

CHICKAMAUGA.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., May 14.—There will be in camp at Chickamauga in a few days a great army of United States volunteers from many states. The total number of regiments, 30, total number of batteries, 5, total number of officers, 1415; total number of men, 29,087.

Why are men who say only what they think so hard to find?

The High School Alumni.

The members of the High school alumni are considering their annual entertainment for the members of the graduating class. It has been the custom to give a banquet but as that is a rather large undertaking some of the members have suggested the idea of holding a large reception either at the Guards' armory or the Turner park, believing that this would be a better way of entertaining the graduates. The idea is to have speeches, music and refreshments It is thought that the reception would be much more enjoyable to everyone concerned than would be the banquet, which proved last year to be too large an affair to be successful.

The Ogden Gun Club will give a tournament June 30, offering prizes.

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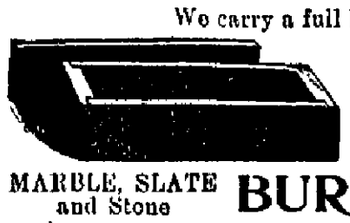
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George Stewart's elevator and mill at Philo burned last week. Loss, $9500; insurance, half that amount.

Found.

At H. W. Bell's, N. L. Krone's and W. H. Hubbard's drug stores, a marvelous cure for all kidney complaints, nervous exhaustion and female weakness. It is Foley's Kidney Cure.

Why is the slow delivery of a lecturer more desirable than that of a messenger boy?

Unfortunate People

are they who while suffering from Kidney Diseases are prejudiced against all advertised remedies. They should know that Foley's Kidney Cure is not a quack remedy, but an honest, guaranteed medicine for Kidney and Bladder troubles. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Alexandria possesses the largest artificial harbor in the world.

Why is a moving van so called when it is standing still?

Why isn't kissing the wrong girl in a tunnel a railway disaster?

Why isn't the golden rule an excellent excuse for the girl who wants to propose?

Boston has established a municipal laboratory.

Why isn't marriage with an heiress a sort of gold cure for poverty?

Why are the things that are none of a man's business always so fascinating to him?

Greater New York has 1100 churches within its limits and over 180,000 dwelling houses.

A torpid liver robs you of ambition and ruins your health. DeWitt's Little Early Risers cleanse the liver, cure constipation and all stomach and liver troubles. H. W. Bell.

It is asserted that plate glass will make a more durable monument than the hardest granite.

Why is the business in which we know we could make money always monopolized by other people?

It is a great leap from the old-fashioned doses of blue mass and nauseous physics to the pleasant little pills known as DeWitt's Little Early Risers. They cure constipation, sick headache and biliousness. H. W. Bell.

Anton Wagner and Miss Mary Heafienger were married Wednesday in Champaign.

The "life tree" of Jamaica grows and thrives for months after being uprooted and exposed to the sun.

At Whatcom, Wash., a woman working for an evaporating company peeled 1491 potatoes in 90 days and earned $90.

Children like it, it saves their lives We mean One Minute Cough Cure, the infallible remedy for coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis, and all throat and lung troubles. H. W. Bell.

It is said that in many Welsh villages the yew tree and the church are of the same age, the one being planted when the other was built.

Rev. A. M. Danely delivered a lecture at the M. E church at Hammond on Thursday evening under the auspices of the young people's society of the church. Rev. Danely's subject was "The Gospel in Fine Arts."

M. L. Yocum, Cameron, Pa., says: "I was a sufferer for ten years, trying most all kinds of pile remedies, but without success, DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve was recommended to me. I used one box. It has effected a permanent cure." As a permanent cure for piles DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve has no equal. H. W. Bell.

Eastern lines have agreed upon a rate of one fare for the round trip for the tournament of Illinois firemen to be held in Decatur July 19 to 21. From all points within 50 miles of Decatur tickets will be sold July 18 to 21, from points within 100 miles, July 18 to 20, and from all other points July 18 and 19.

The farmer, the mechanic and the bicycle rider are liable to unexpected cuts and bruises. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is the best thing to keep on hand. It heals quickly, and is a well known cure for piles. H. W. Bell.

Ex-Alderman John J. McDonald will succeed Henry Potthoff as city treasurer of Peoria.

Thirty-five years make a generation. That is how long Adolph Fisher, of Zanesville, O., suffered from piles. He was cured by using three boxes of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. H. W. Bell.

Why is it that so many people insist upon saying things that never occur to them?

Nothing irritates boss so much as a sudden jar

A Warm Friend.

Foley's Colic Cure is very hot, but when diluted it is a warm friend indeed to those suffering from bowel complaints. It never fails. 25c and 50c. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

Trial in Douglas County.

It has been about decided by the attorneys that Cundiff and Upchurch, the two men who assaulted Attorney Lafayette Shelly on the excursion train coming from Indianapolis Sunday night, shall be tried in Douglas county as the assault took place when the train was in that county. In cases where crime is committed on board a train the guilty ones are tried in the county where the crime was committed if it can be positively determined where the train was at the time and if not it can be tried in any county.

When Weak, Weary and Wasted

from Kidney Diseases, why not try Foley's Kidney Cure, a guaranteed medicine. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

Swallowed a Fish Bone.

Mrs. George Durham, living five miles north of Decatur, while eating fish at breakfast Friday morning swallowed a long bone which lodged in her throat penetrating the flesh at one side and causing great pain. After trying in vain to remove the bone Mrs. Durham was brought to Dr. H. D. Bell, who extracted it.

For Soldiers' Families.

From the Daily of Friday.

Mrs. K. Harwood returned last evening from Springfield, where she attended an organization of a state society to look after the families of the soldiers who are called to the front during the present war, when such attention is necessary Local branches of the organization will be organized throughout the state. The meeting was addressed by Governor Tanner.

MANY PEOPLE CANNOT DRINK

coffee at night. It spoils their sleep. You can drink Grain-O when you please and sleep like a top. For Grain-O does not stimulate; it nourishes, cheers and feeds. Yet it looks and tastes like the best coffee. For nervous persons young people and children Grain-O is the perfect drink. Made from pure grains. Get a package from your grocer today. Try it in place of coffee. 15 and 25c.

GRADUATION DAYS

Exercises at Cerro Gordo, Madison and Sullivan.

COVETED DIPLOMAS AT LAST.

Baccalaureate Sermon by Dr. Waterbury—Decatur People Will Attend—Address by John Trainer.

From the Daily of Thursday.

This week has marked the closing of many of the schools of the surrounding towns and all have closed with a good showing as the result of the term and with a large number of graduates added to the list of the alumni of the respective schools.

The 13th annual commencement of the Cerro Gordo High school will take place tonight at Lyon's hall. The baccalaureate address was delivered by the Rev. J. H. Waterbury at the Methodist church at Cerro Gordo on Sunday, May 8. The members of the graduating class for 1898 are Calvin Wesley Adams, Cora Alice Jackson, Georgia Dagmar Gaston, Fred Alonson Clark, Hatye Selly Cole, Olive Etta Adamson, Charles Edwin Hurd.

The following program will be given:

Music—Orchestra.

Instrumental Duett, "Andante and Rondo"—Carl Bohn, Mrs. Doyle and Miss Hattie Drum.

Grand March.

Invocation—Rev. H. B Eesiering.

Male Quartet, "Consomme," G. B. Brigham—Messrs. Snider, Zinn, Mikels and Locher.

Oration, "Apprenticeship"—Fred Clark.

Oration "Footprints of Time"—Hatye Cole.

Vocal Solo, "Bliss All Rapture, Pat Excelling," Robyn—Mrs. R. E Wood

Oration, "Home"—Cora Jackson.

Oration, "Forward"—Calvin Adams.

Duet, "Let Us Glide on the Lake"—Misses Laura and Stella Barnhart.

Oration, "Memory"—Olive Adams.

Oration, "American Citizenship"—Charles Hurd.

Instrumental Solo, 'Air De Ballet"—Miss Hattie Drum.

Oration, "Sunshine"—Georgia Gaston.

Quartette, "Concert Waltz"—Mesdames Wood and Wimmer and Misses Mikels and Snider.

Presentation of Diplomas—M. N Mikels, president of the board.

Benediction—Rev H. J. H. Waterbury

AT MADISON.

The commencement exercises of the Madison school were held yesterday. The exercises included a lengthy and interesting program An elegant dinner was served

John Trainer delivered an address on the state course of study. Rev. A. M. Danely, president of Chaddcok college, was on the program for an address, but owing to press of other engagements he was unable to be present.

The teacher, B. F. Stanley, the poet pedagogue of Macon county, distributed souvenir programs, on which were printed a cut of himself.

The commencement exercises of the schools at Sullivan will be held tomorrow evening. Miss Abbie Lincoln of Decatur is one of the teachers in the Sullivan schools and a number of her friends will attend.

The Lovington school will close tomorrow with a large class of graduates and appropriate exercises.

MRS. E. H. JEFFERS.

She Passed Away at Her Home Yesterday Afternoon.

From the Daily of Thursday.

Mrs. [Mary A. Jeffres, wife of E. H. Jeffres, died of consumption Wednesday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock at her home 553 North Franklin street, aged 57 years About eight years ago the deceased had an attack of the grip and since that time has been in failing health. She has been able to be up and around until about a month ago when she became worse and since that time she has been confined to her home. During the past few weeks Mrs. Jeffres suffered greatly from the disease which caused her death.

The maiden name of the deceased was Mary A. Warren. She was born in Hillsdale, N. Y., on June 22, 1841 She lived in the town of her birth until a young woman when in 1865 her father moved his family to Henry, Ill. She remained at that place until September 6, 1868, when she was married to E. H. Jeffers. The couple went to Genesseo where they lived for a few years and then went to Chicago. From the latter city Mrs. Jeffres came to Decatur with her husband in 1886 and had since resided in this city. Mrs. Jeffres was a member of the Methodist church. She was a member of the congregation of Grace Methodist church and was especially interested in the foreign missionary work.

The deceased leaves a husband and one son, George Jeffres, Chicago, and two sisters, Mrs. Wadsmuth of Ieavin, Ill., and Mrs. F. S. Becker of Henry, Ill.

Miss Hattie Ward, a niece of Mr. and Mrs. Jeffres, has been with Mrs. Jeffres during her sickness and devoted her entire time and energy to the care of her aunt.

Strawberry Festival.

The members of the mission band at Long Creek expect to give their annual strawberry and ice cream festival in the near future.

Insane to be Transferred.

Judge Hammer has received notice that hereafter the insane people of Macon county must be sent to the asylum at Jacksonville instead of Kankakee. The latter asylum is very much crowded and as a new asylum has been built at Watertown, Ill., about 800 inmates from Jacksonville will be taken to that place and some of those at Kankakee will be taken to Jacksonville, among them being the inmates from this county. The transfer will be made by the asylum officials and the cost will be charged against the county for the pauper patients and the estates or family of private patients must pay the cost of moving.

William Martin Honored.

From the Daily of Friday.

A number of those who went from Decatur to attend the state encampment of the G. A. R at Streator returned home last night, among them being Dr W F. Calhoun and wife, George Betzer and William F. Martin. The encampment was attended by thousands of persons. There were 700 delegates present but not as many posts represented as at the encampment the year before at Galesburg.

Comrade William Martin of this city was honored. He was selected by resolution to act as chief guide and color bearer on the staff of the new commander, John C. Black. He has held that position for several years past and carried the flag at the head of the procession at Streator. In view of the energies Mr Martin has put forth in the interest of G. A. R matters he was again selected for the position. He is now a colonel for life and will always be in the saddle.

DELEGATES HOME

Back From the State Sunday School Convention.

IT WAS A GREAT MEETING

Eight Hundred Delegates Present Representing 1359 Out of 1500 Township Organizations—Session Notes.

From the Daily of Friday.

The Decatur delegates returned at 10:10 o'clock last night from the meeting of the State Sunday School convention, which was held at Galesburg on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week. The Decatur delegates were A. H Mills, P. P Laughlin, Mrs. A. W. Conklin, Miss Carrie Powers, Miss Maude Stoy, Miss Lulu Jones, Miss Jennie Richman, R. C Augustine, T. B. Ewing, Miss Abbie Pratt, Mrs. Depew and Mr. Blaine.

Galesburg has been named the city of conventions and this gathering added another of the most successful ones to her long list of conventions. There were 800 delegates present, representing 1359 townships.

In many ways this convention was the most successful ever held by the State Sunday School association. There was a marked improvement shown along the lines of method and organization. Out of the 1500 townships of the state 1359 were represented as organized townships each with their individual officers The Normal department which presents a course of advanced study for teachers in the Sunday school was shown to have grown greatly in the past year. There are 1800 members of the Normal alumni and 225 graduated yesterday from this department. In many ways the reports showed that the work was taking on new features and adapting itself to meet the demand of the time and the convention was characterized as up to date and rapidly advancing along lines of new thought and methods. Among the prominent speakers at the convention were B F. Jacobs of Chicago, president of the executive board of the State Sunday School association, Rev. Jesse L. Hurlbut of New York city, and Rev. W. B. Allison of Piper City, Ill. Rev. Allison is a pioneer in the Sunday school work and is a most forcible and entertaining speaker He has been secured for a talk to be given in Decatur soon at the First Presbyterian church. Another prominent speaker was Dr. Harsha, who was the first president of the association and presided at the first meeting held in the state 49 years ago. A touching incident of the convention was the presence arm in arm of the first and the last president of the association on the platform last evening. The presidents were loudly applauded. Another feature of the convention which was an extremely popular one with the delegates was the singing of a song composed by B. F. Jacobs of Chicago in answer to the editorial by Edwin Bok in the February number of the Ladies' Home Journal, saying that the Sunday school was decaying. The song was sung to the tune of "Baby Mine" and was the war cry of the convention.

The place for the meeting of the convention for next year was not decided upon but Bloomington was strongly favored.

The Decatur delegates are loud in their praise of the manner in which they were entertained showing that Galesburg rightly deserves the title of the Queen City of conventions.

A. H. Mills, in the absence of the president, presided the first two days of the convention. The new officers elected were published in the Republican of Wednesday afternoon.

The 116th Reunion.

The officers of the old 116th Illinois regiment have fixed the date and place for the annual reunion. The reunion will be held at Fairlawn Park (old fair grounds) on Thursday, September 1. Dinner will be served at noon to the veterans of the regiment and their families. The officers are: President, Dr. Ira N. Barnes; vice president, I. N. Martin, Sr.; treasurer, Daniel Moore; secretary, John Scott; assistant secretary, A. J. Hopkins.

PLANTING BEETS.

Prof. Hapke Began the Work This Morning.

THERE IS MORE BEET SEED

To be Distributed Among the Farmers—The Five Acres on the Powers' Property Will be Planted Next.

From the Daily of Thursday.

Prof Hapke of Grand Island, Neb., the sugar beet expert, is in the city and today began the work of planting the beets on the experimental grounds Two tracts of five acres each have been selected on which the beets will be grown for the purpose of ascertaining with what success the industry can be carried on in this part of the state. Today Mr. Hapke is at work on the five acres in the southeastern corner of the Clokey addition east of the city. The ground has been prepared and today the seed was planted. A Moline beet drill was used to put the seed in the ground. The variety of beets planted was the original Kleinwanzleben, which Mr. Hapke says is the best and most successful kind. As soon as the ground on the Powers property can be prepared the seed will be planted there Prof. Hapke says that the soil in Macon county is well adapted to the raising of beets and that he thinks he can do better with them here than in Nebraska or California. He will be here from time to time to look after the crop and the beets will be given a fair test. All who are interested are invited to witness the planting and cultivation Twenty pounds of seed were planted to the acre.

There is yet more beet seed to be distributed among those who will promise to raise the beets. Those who want to get the seed can do so by applying to George Ennis Among those who are going to try the cultivation of the beets are Bering Burrows, Rev James Hobbs, M. Brook, A Hahn, Thomas Cook, William Voorhies and H A. C. Burr. Each will plant a quarter of an acre The state agricultural society has offered several cash prizes for the best sample of sugar beets raised in this state. The first prize is $50 and the second and third $25 There are also several other prizes in the shape of farm machinery. Each contestant must plant not less than a quarter of an acre

AT REST.

Funeral of the Late Mrs. E. H. Jeffres at Grace Church.

From the Daily of Friday.

At 2:30 p. m. today the funeral services for Mrs. E. H Jeffres were held at Grace M. E. church. A choir in charge of Mrs A W. Conklin rendered the music. Rev A. M. Danely offered the prayer and Rev. E. B. Randle read the scripture and commented on the life and good works of the deceased. Dr. W. F. Gillmore preached the sermon from the text, "And the servant is free from his master," Job 3-19. He spoke of three masters, who hold the race in subjection, pain, sin and death. Pain had held sway for years in the mortal body, but now the servant was free and had entered the city that is evermore painless, where "light afflictions" of earth are henceforth only a memory Sin holds the race in bondage from Eden to Paradise. Enduring to the end brings freedom from assaults of sin Death as a master, demanding the uttermost farthing, never releases his prisoner until the heart ceases to beat, then his mastership is over and the servant is free. This saintly sufferer has no master now, having gone where the supreme passion of love never feels bonds and the freed spirit knows no pain, nor death.

The pall bearers were A. W. Conklin, D. S. Shellabarger, George Leiby, D. C. Corley, W. J Wayne and J. E. Saxton. The interment was at Greenwood.

FORMER DECATUR CITIZEN.

Fred Brinkman Killed by the Cars in His Old Age.

From the Daily of Thursday.

Fred Brinkman, who used to live on East North street, this city, for years, in crossing the Rock Island railroad crossing near his home at Tenly Park, May 9 last, was struck by the passenger train and thrown 100 yards and instantly killed. His age was 74 years. He leaves a widow and three daughters, Mrs. Mary Fromm of Peoria, Mrs. Anna Weirsbem and Mrs. Sophia Stare of Mendota, Ill.

Farmers are Busy.

The farmers are very busy at home now and very few of them are seen in the city. They are rushing with all possible haste the work of plowing and planting corn as the season was made late on account of the frequent rains. The oats are coming up nicely and promises to be a fine crop if nothing occurs to set it back. The farmers are somewhat worried about the appearance of chinch bugs which are seen in some parts of the county.

In Memoriam.

On May 7, 1898, near Mechanicsburg, Ill., David, infant son of Edwin P. and Leonora Moffett Hall, died of congestion of the bowels, age 11 months and 24 days.

This sad tiding reached friends in Decatur and elsewhere on Saturday evening and was most unexpected. It was only on the Wednesday prior that the child was thought to be ill. Immediate attention was, however, given him, and, when his sickness became more apparent physicians were summoned to his side. Their and careful medical attention was given and all that loving hands could do was unsparingly administered. On Saturday morning his condition became alarming and just as the shades of night had fallen over that brightest and cheeriest day of the year, the spirit of little David, as he lay in his mother's arms, wafted a long good night to this earth and his winsome prattle hushed only as its echo was heard from the other shore.

On Monday at 2 o'clock p. m. from the M. E. church at the "Burg," Rev. Musgrove conducted the funeral services. There was present a large number of relatives and friends from Macon and Sangamon counties The church had been elaborately and appropriately decorated by friends of the family for the occasion. The funeral cortege was preceded by four little flower girls bearing emblems and wreathes of beautiful flowers They were Misses Leonora and Marie Allen of Harristown, Helen Hall of Mechanicsburg and Helen Moffett of Blue Mound township, all cousins of the deceased. The pall bearers were also four little cousins, namely, Frank, Willie and Fred Grout of Decatur and Tommy Moffett of Blue Mound township. Appropriate music was rendered by the church choir. The pastor spoke with much feeling from the text, "I shall go to Him but He shall not return to me" His thoughts were beautiful, touching, consoling He opened the way so clearly for a cheerful resignation by the almost broken-hearted parents.

At the grave, a beautiful spot amidst the profusion of flowers, surrounded by saddened hearts, and amid tear-dimmed eyes, the form of the loved and lovable child was lowered to its final resting place. The beams of a western sun shown out to kiss the hillside as if to consecrate the sacred spot. And we say:

"Earth, that all too soon hath bound him,
Gently wrap his clay,
Linger lovingly around him
Light of dying day!"

BOB A VOLUNTEER.

Young Dr. Spalding a Member of the First Illinois Cavalry.

Dr. Robert Spalding, younger son of Dr. and Mrs. T. B Spalding gave his parents a genuine surprise Thursday when they learned that the young man had gone to Camp Tanner at Springfield where he enrolled his name as a volunteer in the Spanish-American war Bob recently graduated from the Marion-Simms Medical college at St. Louis and lately has been practicing his profession at Casner Station east of Decatur. He is a young patriot and a son of a veteran of the war of 1861 It was natural that he should become possessed of a desire to go into the service and without giving intimation to his parents of his purpose he went to Springfield where he soon became a regular.

Dr. T. B Spalding was at Camp Tanner yesterday to visit Bob. He found that the young man had enlisted as a member of the 1st Illinois cavalry regiment, Chicago, and had already been chosen hospital steward He is comfortably located at the camp, and will move with the troops at the sound of the bugle. It is probable that the cavalry troops will remain at the camp several weeks yet.

J. M. Dodd for County Clerk.

Elsewhere in this issue will be found the formal announcement of James M. Dodd for the office of county clerk, subject to the action of the Republican county convention. The primaries in the various townships will be held on August 20, the nominating convention on August 22. Mr. Dodd is the present county clerk, and has made not only a most excellent official, but by his uniformly obliging disposition and courteous conduct toward everybody with whom he has come in contact has added to his large list of personal friends a host of staunch supporters. The office of county clerk is one of the most important public positions in the county and it is important that the affairs of the people be looked after under the strict rules of system with personal attention to all the minor details Mr. Dodd has followed these requirements in his management of the office, which was never in more perfect condition than it is today. He goes before the people for renomination and asks that the voters remember him favorably at the polls on August 20.

Will Go to War.

William Martin has received word from his son, Harvey Martin of Spokane, Wash., stating that he expects to be sent with the troops to the Philippine Islands Harvey Martin has been living in Spokane for the past seven or eight years. He is a member of a military company, the members of which volunteered their services to the government. The company received notice to report at San Francisco and it is expected that it will be sent across the Pacific with the other troops who are to assist Admiral Dewey.

S. M. Lutz will have another public sale of fine horses and cows on Tuesday, May 31, on his farm, three miles northeast of the city. All persons who expect to take advantage of this sale should remember the above date.

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THE WINSLOW AVENGED

Town of Cardenas Attacked, Forts Reduced and Spaniards Killed.

Key West, Fla., May 16.—On board the United States transport, Gussie, off Cuba, May 14.—On Thursday morning the gunboat Wilmington steamed close into the coast and keys off the town of Cardenas. Its gun crews were at their stations and every man on board, from Captain Todd to the signal boy, had but one burning idea, "Avenge the Winslow."

The watchword along the crowded decks and in the heated engine room and glowing fire room, where the blackened giants toiled stripped to the waist, was "Remember the Winslow," and "Damn a pacific blockade."

Within range of the powerful four-inch broadsides were the Spanish gunboats which had decoyed the Winslow up to the masked batteries that had dealt out sudden death, and near the forts lay two schooners at anchor.

Reports of mines planted in the entrance to the channels were disregraded. The Wilmington was no longer a blockader. It had become a destroyer, and for an hour a hurricane of exploding projectiles bellowed and shrieked into the harbor of Cardenas, not against the town but against the ships and defenses, and the Spanish troops and sailors. The gunners of the Wilmington do not waste ammunition and the execution was remarkable.

Dead and Dying Left.

Nearly 300 four inch, one-inch, and six-pound shells streamed shoreward like a steel cataract, and afloat and ashore signal stations, masked batteries, and forts were knocked to pieces and the Spanish had to flee like rats from a sinking ship. They left behind many dead and dying.

It was the most destructive bombardment yet attempted on the Cuban coast. In the harbor two Spanish gunboats without steam up were riddled and sunk, their crews having fled to the shore in small boats. They had no time to offer a show of fighting their guns. The two schooners at anchor were sunk where they lay, and one block house caught fire from an exploding shell and flamed out like a war beacon. The Wilmington was not touched by the few shells flung at it.

The attack was sudden and superbly effective. The Wilmington in an hour swept Cardenas bare of defenses as one would brush crumbs from a table cloth.

The town of Cardenas is three miles back from the gulf entrance to the harbor, so that non-combatants probably suffered but slightly. Of course it is impossible to know the Spanish losses because no landing was made but for the last two weeks troops have been massing in front of Cardenas in anticipation of a possible choice of this point for an invasion as the base of supplies by the American forces. Hundreds of men were working on earthworks and block houses overlooking the harbor and masked batteries were being planted, one of which surprised and made sad havoc on the torpedo boat Winslow. This death trap was located by the Wilmington and men and guns were blown high into the air.

Terrible Punishment.

It was terrific punishment at close range this terrific onslaught of the Wilmington and it was the first real demonstration against the Cardenas Spanish who had become indifferent to American warships that were always hovering outside while only smaller torpedo boats had opened fire and dashed menacingly shoreward.

It was another matter, however, when the Wilmington, with its eight four inch guns and secondary battery and a nest of machine guns in its formidable fighting top slowly circled over the smooth sea which gave its gunners a platform as steady as solid rock. It was no longer target practice, but a spectacle. It was death in the spurting flame and enveloping smoke cloud, and the only respite came when the sweating gunners paused to let the smoke fog drift away.

The commander of the Wilmington hailed us this morning and reported tersely that "he had thrown nearly 300 shells into Cardenas, inflicting considerable damage." He was overmodest. In reality he had caused a considerable measure of annihilation and absolutely so in particular instances of certain gunboats, batteries, small fortifications and an unknown number of Spaniards.

The Wilmington still hovers like a hawk between Cardenas and Matanzas. It has a good store of ammunition left and watches eagerly for signs of convalescence in and around Cardenas harbor.

THAT DELAYED MESSAGE

French Manager at Fort de France Out With a Positive Statement.

FORT DE FRANCE, MARTINIQUE, May 16.—(Copyrighted by the Associated Press.)—The manager of the French cable company denies the statement that the dispatch of Captain Cotton of the cruiser Harvard was delayed 24 hours at St. Pierre, this island. He says when Captain Cotton learned that the message filed at St. Pierre would have to be transmitted through Fort de France, he declined to send it by the French line, as there were Spanish warships at Fort de France at the time and said he would rather file it by an English cable and take the chance of 24 hours' delay, due to the accumulation of business by that line. The manager of the French cable protests that he has taken special pains to furnish the United States facilities, holding the office open until after midnight, whereas the English office closes at 6 p. m. He presents a statement from Captain Cotton and the American consul denying that the manager told them that the message would be delayed 24 hours.

VOLUNTEERS AT BIG PARK

Steady Arrival of Troops at Chattanooga--All States in Line.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., May 16.—Chickamauga park, left vacant by the departure of the regulars, is rapidly filling up with volunteers from all parts of the country. Volunteers are pouring into the park in train loads and the work of getting them camped and properly accommodated is immense. The 1st Ohio cavalry and 1st Ohio infantry arrived yesterday. The 3d Wisconsin arrived early this morning and went at once to the park. The 8th and 3d Illinois infantry followed. They remained in the city several hours until arrangements for transfer by the railroads could be made. The 4th Ohio infantry came next. Trains are arriving every hour. Considerable difficulty is experienced in getting all the commands transferred to the park.

To Raise Spanish Ships.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—The suppressed part of Admiral Dewey's Sunday message to the navy department is said on good authority to have advised an effort to raise some of the sunken Spanish vessels at Manila. The admiral reported that he had already saved about one-half of the large guns of the Spanish fleet, and he expressed the opinion that several of the ships could be saved. The navy department has made a prompt response by ordering Naval Constructor Capps to go to Manila on the Charleston and take with him a number of men qualified for the work. It is intended to engage a wrecking outfit at Hongkong or Yokohoma.

Loyalty in London.

LONDON, May 17.—The American cable companies of this city have issued instructions to agents to refuse to transmit any Spanish government messages.

No person in Norway may spend more than three pence at one visit to a public house.

THE GUARDS' TRIP SOUTH.

Notes Taken on the Way to Chickamauga.

JOTTED DOWN BY "LEE MAINE"

Patriotic Demonstration by Southern People—Just Like Decatur at Nashville—Incidents of the Long Journey.

NASHVILLE, TENN., Sunday, May 15.—7:15 p. m.—The trip from Springfield has been a very pleasant one. The 3d section of the great train which carries the reigment has the boys of Company H on board. The men of the company occupy the rear car, except one, of the train. The officers of the 3d battalion are on the rear car. Officers have a Pullman sleeper. The men have old style sleepers. Not a man has uttered a complaint. The beds are clean and comfortable. The cooks prepare food in the baggage cars. The sections travel about 15 minutes apart. They have met several times on the long journey. Much rivalry exists as to speed, between the different sections. The third engine several times has pushed the second section up hill.

At 5:10 Saturday evening we left Springfield. There were few people to wave "good bye." Some misunderstanding as to time misled the people. Most of the men were in their bunks by the time East St Louis was reached at 9 o'clock.

Sunday morning at Mounds, two of the sections met. At Cairo there was a display of patriotism. After the Tennessee line was crossed people came in crowds. One old white haired man said: "We used to say 'they' when we spoke of you fellows but now we say 'we.'"

Another said: "I have fought all over the field where you will camp, but I wish you luck just the same." He carried a cane to support a crippled knee and he wore a confederate badge. At every crossing white people and colored have waved a hearty greeting to the boys.

Hard task, with names written on the white surface, marks the track of the regiment and dainty handkerchiefs are held as souvenirs by many of the men.

At Martins, Tennessee, the three sections were together for an hour or more. The men were unloaded and given liberty. They took in the town. They thoroughly awakened the sleepy place. Flowers are in full bloom and many a rose garden was stripped—not by stealth, but with the full permission of the owners. Several officers and men were treated to milk and cake.

Western Tennessee is full of snakes and many were killed by the men in their wanderings.

After the Tennessee river was crossed the country became hilly and swamps are not so constantly seen. Eastern Tennessee, where the regiment is going, is said to be mountainous. At Nashville which has just been passed, the regiment received its most enthusiastic reception. Hundreds of people filled the station. It reminded Decatur boys of the last morning at home.

Decatur boys have all been well on the trip. Frank Boone is the only man who has been at all off color and his sickness is not at all serious. The day has been very hot—up to 90 degrees. It seems strange to be changed in a day from a place of cold and rain to a land of warmth and sunshine. LEE MAINE.

DRAPER FOUND NOT GUILTY.

Jury Out Fifteen Hours—Arguments Said to Have Had No Effect.

JERSEYVILLE, ILL., May 16.—The jury in the Draper murder trial has been out 15 hours returned a verdict of not guilty. On the first ballot, it appears, the jurors stood seven for acquittal to five for manslaughter. After reading the instructions and discussion, the vote was nine for acquittal and three for manslaughter and so stood during many successive ballots, until 3 o'clock in the morning, when the jurors retired to rest. At 7 o'clock they resumed balloting and continued until the vote for acquittal became unanimous. The verdict has been the exciting topic of controversy here all day, many fully approving and as many strongly condemning it. Some of the jurors say that they had all made up their minds after hearing the testimony as indicated by the first ballot, and were not at all changed by the arguments of the counsel.

THE HOUSE AND SENATE.

WASHINGTON, May 16.—The house adopted the conference report on the bill authorizing the army officers to furnish food and fire arms to the Cubans.

In the senate the resolution asking for information as to the progress of the work on the Nicaragua canal, and the financial condition of the canal company, was adopted.

Senator Allison of Iowa then called up the war revenue bill and made the statement that its features were old. He estimated that the bill would, independent of Democratic amendments, produce $150,000,000 annual revenue and that the Democratic amendments, if adopted would add $75,000,000 more.

Not Under Torture.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—The British embassy was requested recently to secure information concerning the Porto Rican correspondent of the New York Herald, named Halstead, a British subject, who was said to be undergoing torture at San Juan. On inquiry of the London foreign office the embassy is informed that Halstead was convicted of making photographs of the Porto Rican forts, and was sentenced to nine years' imprisonment. The reports of torture are denied.

Marcia Next Year.

The Evans school, W. E. Mann, teacher, will close on May 27. Mr. Mann will next year take charge of the 1st and 2d year of the High school at Marcia.

BY FORCE OF ARMS!

POOR UNHAPPY CUBA.

When a man with a deadly weapon in his grasp says "Halt!" it means something. When a mighty nation equipped with all the munitions and armaments of war says "Halt!" it means more; but it means most of all when all powerful and benignant Nature raises her invincible forces to shield and protect the sick and suffering.

Poor, wretched, unhappy Cuba is not more to be pitied nor in greater need of help than the ten thousand ailing, miserable, discouraged Americans to whom the words are addressed. But there is a mighty power of nature concealed yet ever active and forceful in that wonderful "Golden Medical Discovery," which has saved a hundred thousand Americans from a worse death than shooting or starvation; a death by slow lingering, wearing, wasting inexorable disease.

"How has this been done? Was it a miracle? Was it an accident, that men who seemed to be slowly yet surely dying of wasting lung affections, and women



with broken down nervous systems and wrecked and shattered frames, apparently beyond the reach of help, were restored to activity and strength?"

No it was not a miracle except as Nature herself is miraculous when her forces are guided and brought to bear by one who has studied them through a long lifetime of experience and learned to interpret her marvelous manifestations and adapt them to human needs. Dr. Pierce the discoverer of this unparalleled medicine has been for thirty years a graduate physician and educated specialist in diseases of the nutritive system. It was the result of careful patient scientific research and no hap hazard finding that this extra ordinary "Discovery" was brought to light for the benefit and rescue of mankind.

"What does it do? How does it do it?" Let the first question be answered by the facts. Let those speak who know.

Think of a man father of a family with work to do in this world; full of hope and courage and ambition suddenly discovering that the health on which he had depended as the basis of all his hopes and achievements in life is beginning to desert him and leave him a weakened powerless inefficient creature incapable of going forth like a man to his daily toil, bound down and fastened as it were by chains of disease that cannot be shaken off.

This man is an actual character. Let him tell his own story:

Mr. John Brooks, of Boylton, Worcester Co., Mass. (Sawyer's Mills), writes: "I feel it my duty now to write to you to tell you of the great benefit I have received. About a year ago I was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs. The doctors said I was in consumption and could not get well. I took Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil and it did me no good. After taking it four months I heard of your 'Golden Medical Discovery' and wrote to you for advice. I have taken your medicine and it saved my life. I felt so sick when I wrote to you that I thought I would not live the winter through. In the morning I raised an awful lot and would spit all the time and had pains in my chest. My bowels would not move more than once or twice a week; my strength was nearly gone, I could not do a whole day's work. Now, my bowels are regular every day and I feel no more pain in my chest. Feel a great deal stronger. I am working hard every day, driving a team in the woods, and I owe my thanks to Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. I know it saved my life. I cannot praise it enough. I am proud to tell my friends what cured me."

When a man's liver is out of order he is ripe for almost any disease that happens along. His entire constitution is in a state of receptivity and is ready for contagion of any description. The "Golden Medical Discovery" is the best of all known liver invigorators.

It will put the laziest of livers on a lope in no time. It makes your liver lively and your blood pure. It is the best of spring medicines.

"It affords me pleasure to testify to the remarkable curative power of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery," writes Mr. Frank A. Starks, of Fayetteville, Fayette County, Texas. "I was severely afflicted with trouble in my lungs—spitting up blood, and was so weak I was unable to continue my work. I tried several remedies which gave me no relief, and I had commenced to think there was no hope for me. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery was recommended to me, so I tried it and began to improve at once, and was soon able to resume work. I consider it a wonderful medicine. You are at liberty to use my name if you desire."

Think of a woman who longs to be a source of help and encouragement to her husband and children; who feels that her usefulness in life, her power for good, her attractiveness, in fact, her very womanliness itself depends upon a cheerful, capable, healthful constitution, finding all these things gradually ebbing away; and she a nervous, fretful, worn-out, despairing wreck of what should be a happy woman.

This picture is indeed a true portrait, behold it painted in the colors of actual life by the woman herself, who suffered:

"I write to let you know the great benefit I have received from your medicine and the self treatment at home which you advised for my case," writes Mrs. W. M. Satterly of Richford, Tioga Co., N. Y., (P. O. Box 40). "When I first wrote to you I was completely discouraged. Was in pain all the time could not lie in bed on account of severe, sharp cutting pains in my back and right hip. Had pain all through the lower part of my body, and my elbows hurt me so much I could scarcely lift my baby. My skin was dry, harsh, and scaly, and hung like sacks on my arms. My husband called the doctor, and he said it was weakness and my age. His medicine did me no good. I kept getting worse and weaker. It seemed I should go crazy. One day I picked up a paper and saw your advertisement. My husband had no faith in your medicines, he said that the persons who gave the testimonials were all so far away but I wrote to you and received advice. I have taken Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and his 'Favorite Prescription' and 'Pleasant Pellets, and also the 'Demulcent and Diuretic Infusion' (prescribed for me by Dr. Pierce) and now I am comfortable and can do a fair day's work.

"Over a year ago I asked your advice, also sent for the 'Common Sense Medical Adviser,'" writes Mrs. James Fagen of Stiles, Oconto Co., Wis. "I followed the directions you gave also bought two bottles of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. In less than a week after I commenced your treatment and took your invaluable 'Prescription' I was almost well. There was such a change! My nervousness was leaving me. I slept soundly all night, something I had not done for over seven years. I was almost in despair when I commenced taking Dr. Pierce's 'Prescription.' I would get nervous on retiring, my nerves would jump and twitch. I would change my position in bed a dozen different ways to obtain five minutes' rest, but never a moment's rest for me. I worked hard all day, but was sick, fretful, and felt miserably all the time. I would have such melancholy spells and then was ever so much worse. I worried over nothing; in fact, everything seemed to bother me. If I should write today, what I have suffered in silence, no living person would believe me, for it seems no woman could stand such misery and still bear children. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is a boon to women."

These are but few out of many thousands. And now, how is it that after countless other remedies and doctors beyond naming for number, have unitedly failed, this unexampled "Discovery" reaches and masters such apparently hopeless diseases.

Because it goes, straight as an arrow to its mark, directly to those points in the nutritive system where life itself begins. Because it has the peculiar property of giving digestive power to the stomach, purifying capacity to the liver, blood-making force to the assimilative glands, flesh-making, tissue-building, muscle-hardening, strength to every organ in the entire physical economy.

It is the natural, reasonable, obvious result of Nature herself working along her own chosen channels yet guided by trained scientific intelligence. Doctor Pierce has a born faith in Nature which few physicians have. His education, his life-long experience and profound study have taught him what few physicians ever learn that Nature herself stands ready with the remedy for every ill and the man who intelligently combines these forces will accomplish what can never be achieved by man alone.

It was this faith; this intelligence, this combination of Nature with science, of therapeutics with brains—that resulted in the most remarkable "Medical Discovery" which ever blessed mankind.

This same elemental genius, rising superior to mere stereotyped professionalism, has guided its possessor to discover and achieve in the field of medicine more, it's safe to say, than any other one physician of modern times. "That man is one of the best men in the world." President Garfield once said, speaking of Dr. Pierce, with whose great work the president was acquainted. "And he is at the head of one of the best medical institutions in the world," added the President.

Hardly any one at all conversant with medical affairs needs to be told that the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, of Buffalo, N. Y., is the grandest model sanitarium of this country. Dr Pierce has been its chief consulting physician for over thirty years. He is surrounded by a staff of nineteen eminent specialists, each foremost in his particular field of practice and comes into consultation daily over the most obstinate chronic cases of every description, either of patients staying at the Institute or under treatment by mail.

Any sick or invalid person in any part of the United States may obtain advice by mail yabsolutely free of charge by simply writing to Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., a plain statement of the case. All letters are preserved in the most inviolable confidence and never published, except by the writer's special wish and permission. Careful professional advice will be sent without charge and suggestions for sensible self-treatment will be given in any case where that is practicable.

"I wish to express my sincere thanks to you and your co-workers" writes Mr. A. D. Weller of Pensacola, Escambia Co., Fla., Box 544. "I have since receiving your diagnosis of my case as stomach trouble and liver complaint taken eight bottles of the 'Golden Medical Discovery' and must say that I am transformed from a walking shadow (as my friends called me) to perfect health. I value your remedies very highly and take pleasure in recommending them to any and all who suffer as I did. Four months ago I did not think to be in shape to assist our "Uncle Samuel,' in case of hostilities, but thanks to you, I am ready for the 'Dagos'"

The great illustrated medical library, in one thousand-page volumes entitled "The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser," compiled and edited by Dr. Pierce in the course of his professional experience will be sent free in paper covers, for 21 one-cent stamps, to pay the cost of mailing only. Or in heavier, handsomer cloth binding for 31 stamps. It is the most complete, sensible and practical medical work for popular reading ever published, and has had a greater sale than any medical work in any language. Over 750,000 copies were sold at $1 50 each. The profit on this sale was sufficient to make Dr. Pierce feel warranted in issuing a free edition. Only one copy will be sent to one family, and every family in this country ought to have it in their library.

Stores for the Philippines.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—For the Philippine expedition the war department is laying in a store of supplies which will, if necessary, keep the army of 12,000 men for a period of six months. For this purpose 2,160,000 rations are being accumulated by the commissary department at San Francisco for shipment from time to time to Manila. A ration will last a soldier for one day's food supply.

A large consignment will be taken out on the City of Pekin, which is to sail the latter part of the week and which has been delayed in its departure because of many alterations that were necessary to accommodate the supplies. Enough beef on the hoof will be taken to supply the 1200 men who go aboard her for 10 or 12 days, and for the remainder of the trip bacon will be the meat diet. Lieutenant Sidney A. Clemon has been appointed commissary and will accompany the expedition.

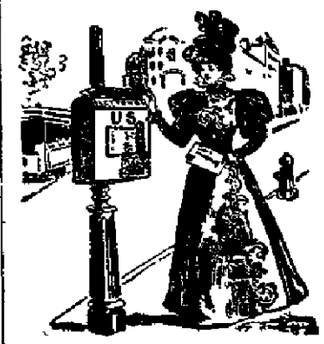
The quartermaster's department has supplies of equippage, uniforms, etc., at San Francisco for 5000 men, and additional supplies will be purchased as necessity arises. Canvas as well as woolen uniforms will be taken for the comfort of the men.

It is said here that the 1st California and portions of the 14th United States infantry may compose the troops going on the Pekin, although this is not finally determined.

DEATH OF JAMES PALMER

He Passed Away Sunday Morning at His Home in Decatur.

James Palmer died at 1 a. m. Sunday at the home of his brother, Michael Palmer, 604 West Wood street, aged 54 years. He was born in County Kilkenty, Ireland, and came to this city in 1866. He was a partner with his brother Michael Palmer, in the business of selling sand. The deceased was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic church and was well known in the city. Besides his brother he leaves one sister, Mrs. Cassell of East Condit street.



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Not Afraid.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—Senator Gray and other influential men have made strong protests against the cruiser Columbia and other fine warships being kept on the New England coast when the enemy's ships are in southern waters. Senator Gray had business with the president and called his attention to the matter.

"It is stated that these ships are kept on the New England coast to allay apprehension," said Senator Gray. "Well, that is all foolishness. Here these ships are kept on this coast when there is not a particle of danger, while the Spanish squadron is not far from southern shores.

"I do not believe anybody has an idea that the Spanish fleet would attempt to sail 3000 or 4000 miles from its present position to attack the New England coast, and be without a base of supplies when it got there. While our ships remain on the New England coast the southern coast, much nearer to the Spaniards, is unprotected. So is the coast of the middle Atlantic states. Our ships should be with one or the other squadrons."

It is said that several New England senators take the same ground as Senator Gray.

The Army Chiefs.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—In a general order issued at the war department on the assignments to the different corps and other important commands are announced as follows:

Major General Wesley Merritt, U. S. A., the department of the Pacific.

Major General John R. Brooke, U. S. A., the first corps and the department of the Gulf.

Major General William M. Graham, U. S. volunteers, the second corps, with headquarters at Falls Church, Virginia.

Major General James F. Wade, U. S. volunteers, the third corps, reporting to Major General Brooke, Chickamauga.

Major General John J. Coppinger, U. S. volunteers, the fourth corps, Mobile, Ala.

Major General William R. Shafter, U. S. volunteers, the fifth corps, Tampa, Fla.

Major General Elwell S. Otis, U. S. volunteers, to report to Major General Merritt, U. S. A., for duty with the troops in the department of the Pacific.

Major General James H. Wilson, U. S. volunteers, the sixth corps, Chickamauga, reporting to Major General Brooke.

Major General Fitzhugh Lee, U. S. volunteers, the seventh corps, Tampa, Fla.

Major General Joseph H. Wheeler, U. S. volunteers, the cavalry division, Tampa, Fla.

CAUGHT IN A FIRE.

Fatalities at a Catholic School at St. Hyacinthe, Canada.

ST. HYACINTHE, QUEBEC, May 16.—The Mateele St. Joseph burned this morning and seven are known to be dead of the 200 in the institution and five missing. A number were injured by jumping from the windows. The dead are: Two boys named Beauchman, Sisters Alexandrina, Hilomena and Des Agnes, Mrs. S. Des Agnes, Miss Guertin, a boarder, Mrs. Dr. Chagnon of Fall River, Mass. The missing: Maria Milotte, Nellette Meunir, servants, Mrs. Berthiaume, a boarder; Sisters Bouvier and Auge.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce A. H. HILL, of Milam township, as a candidate for sheriff, subject to the action of the Republican county convention.

We are authorized to announce JAMES M. DOPP as a candidate for County Clerk, subject to the decision of the Republican county convention.

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